MODELS BTR 151 THRU 201/A

COMMERCIAL GAS, GLASS-LINED, TANK-TYPE WATER HEATER

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Thank you for buying this energy efficient water heater from A.O. Smith Water Products Company. We appreciate your confidence in our products.

WARNING: If the information in these instructions is not followed exactly, a fire or explosion may result causing property damage, personal injury or death.

— Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.

— WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS

- **Do not try to light any appliance.**
- **Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.**
- **Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.**
- **If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.**

— Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, service agency or the gas supplier.

⚠ CAUTION

TEXT IN BLACK BOLD TYPE OR UNDERLINED CONTAINS INFORMATION RELATIVE TO YOUR SAFETY. PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY BEFORE INSTALLING AND USING THIS APPLIANCE.

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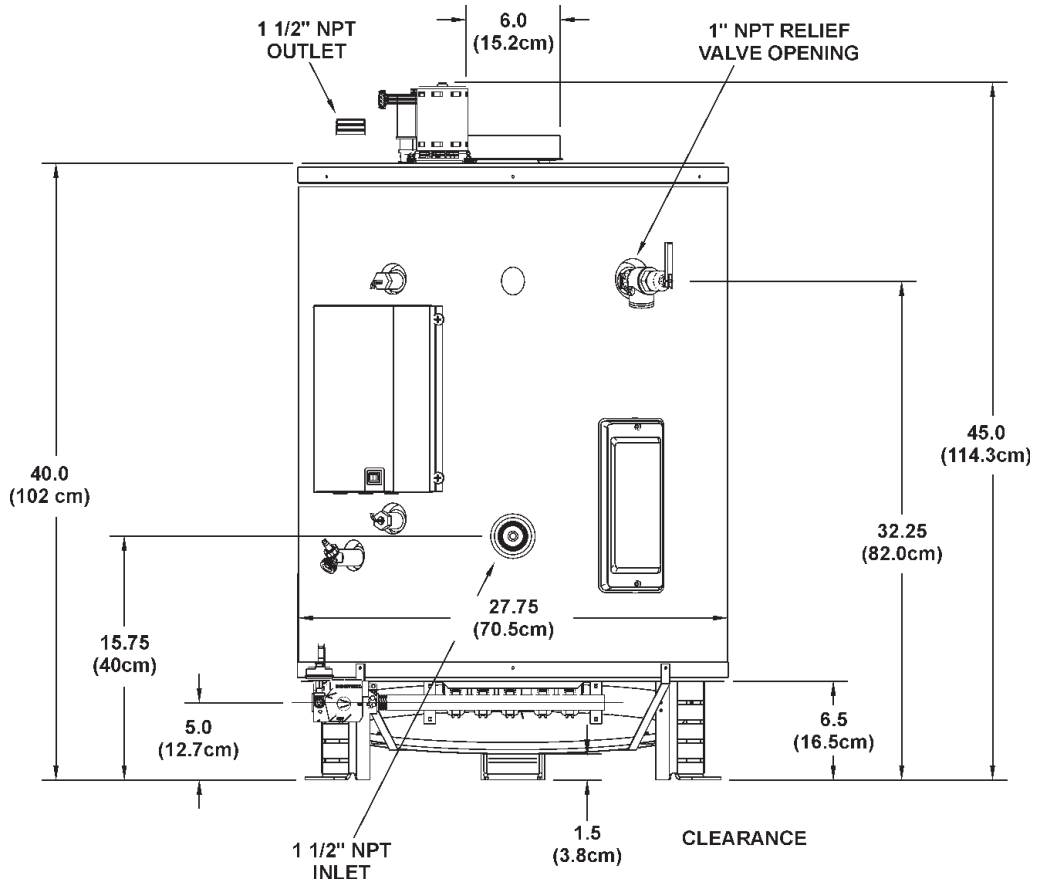

FIGURE 1

TABLE 1 - HEATER PERFORMANCE DATA

Model	Input Rate Btuh	Approx. Tank Cap.	Approx. Eff. %	RECOVERY RATING CAPACITIES (GPH) AT TEMPERATURE RISE SHOWN													
				F C	20°F 11°C	30°F 17°C	40°F 22°C	50°F 28°C	60°F 33°C	70°F 39°C	80°F 44°C	90°F 50°C	100°F 56°C	110°F 61°C	120°F 67°C	130°F 72°C	140°F 78°C
BTR-151	150,000 NAT	32 Gal	80	GPH	727	485	364	291	242	208	182	162	145	132	121	112	104
	44 kW/Hr. NAT	121 Litres		LPH	2752	1836	1378	1102	916	787	689	613	549	500	458	424	394
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BTR-201	199,900 NAT	32 Gal	80	GPH	969	646	485	388	323	277	242	215	194	176	162	149	139
	59 kW/Hr. NAT	121 Litres		LPH	3668	2445	1836	1469	1223	1049	916	814	734	666	613	564	526
BTR-201	182,000 LP	32 Gal	80	GPH	882	588	441	353	294	252	221	196	177	160	147	136	126
	53 kW/Hr. LP	121 Litres		LPH	3339	2226	1669	1336	1113	954	837	742	670	606	557	515	477

FOREWORD

These designs comply with ANSI Z21.10.3 as a Booster type water heater.

Detailed installation diagrams are found in this manual. These diagrams will serve to provide the installer with a reference for the materials and methods of piping necessary. It is highly essential that all water, gas piping and wiring be installed as shown on the diagrams.

Particular attention should be given to the installation of thermometers at the locations indicated on the diagrams as these are necessary for checking the proper functioning of the heater.

The heater is designed to operate on natural gas.

These heaters may be installed on combustible floors.

In addition to these instructions, the equipment shall be installed in accordance with those installation regulations in force in the local area where the installation is to be made. These shall be carefully followed in all cases. Authorities having jurisdiction should be consulted before installations are made.

The installation must conform to these instructions and the local code authority having jurisdiction. In the absence of local codes, the installation must comply with the latest editions of the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54 and the National Electrical Code, NFPA 70, documents are available from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269.

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GENERAL SAFETY INFORMATION

PRECAUTIONS

DO NOT USE THIS APPLIANCE IF ANY PART HAS BEEN UNDER WATER. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the appliance and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control which has been under water.

IF THE UNIT IS EXPOSED TO THE FOLLOWING, DO NOT OPERATE HEATER UNTIL ALL CORRECTIVE STEPS HAVE BEEN MADE BY A QUALIFIED SERVICEMAN.

1. EXTERNAL FIRE.
2. DAMAGE.
3. FIRING WITHOUT WATER.
4. SOOTING

GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS

This water heater must be grounded in accordance with the National Electric Code and/or local codes. These must be followed in all cases.

This water heater must be connected to a grounded metal, permanent wiring system; or an equipment grounding conductor must be run with the circuit conductors and connected to the equipment grounding terminal or lead on the water heater, see Figure 9.

CHEMICAL VAPOR CORROSION

⚠ WARNING

CORROSION OF THE FLUEWAYS AND VENT SYSTEM MAY OCCUR IF AIR FOR COMBUSTION CONTAINS CERTAIN CHEMICAL VAPORS. SUCH CORROSION MAY RESULT IN FAILURE AND RISK OF ASPHYXIATION.

Spray can propellants, cleaning solvents, refrigerator and air conditioning refrigerants, swimming pool chemicals, calcium and sodium chloride (water softener salt), waxes, and process chemicals and typical compounds which are potentially corrosive. Do not store products of this sort near the heater. Also, air which is brought in contact with a the heater should not contain any of these chemicals. If necessary, uncontaminated air should be obtained from remote or outside sources. The limited warranty is voided when failure of water heater is due to a corrosive atmosphere. (Refer to the limited warranty for complete terms and conditions.

IMPROPER COMBUSTION

⚠ WARNING

ATTIC AND/OR EXHAUST FANS OPERATING ON THE PREMISES WITH A WATER HEATER CAN RESULT IN CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING AND DEATH.

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OPERATION OF THESE FANS CAN PRODUCE A NEGATIVE DRAFT IN THE AREA OF THE WATER HEATER PREVENTING THE PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION FROM EXHAUSTING THROUGH THE CHIMNEY OR VENT PIPE.

The venting of the water heater should be inspected by a qualified service technician at the time of installation and periodically thereafter to ensure a down-draft condition does not exist.

DO NOT OBSTRUCT THE FLOW OF COMBUSTION AND VENTILATING AIR. ADEQUATE AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION MUST BE PROVIDED FOR SAFE OPERATION.

EXTENDED NON-USE PERIODS

⚠ WARNING

HYDROGEN GAS CAN BE PRODUCED IN A HOT WATER SYSTEM SERVED BY THIS HEATER THAT HAS NOT BEEN USED FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME (GENERALLY TWO WEEKS OR MORE). HYDROGEN GAS IS EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE. To reduce the risk of injury under these conditions, it is recommended that the hot water faucet be opened for several minutes at the kitchen sink before using any electrical appliance connected to the hot water system. If hydrogen is present, there will probably be an unusual sound such as air escaping through the pipe as the water begins to flow. **THERE SHOULD BE NO SMOKING OR OPEN FLAME NEAR THE FAUCET AT THE TIME IT IS OPEN.**

INSULATION BLANKETS

Insulation blankets available to the general public for external use on gas water heaters are not approved for use on your A.O. Smith water heater. The purpose of an insulation blanket is to reduce the standby heat loss encountered with storage tank water heaters. Your A.O. Smith water heater meets or exceeds the ASHRAE/IES 90.1-1999 standards with respect to insulation and standby loss requirement making an insulation blanket unnecessary.

⚠ WARNING

Should you choose to apply an insulation blanket to this heater, you should follow these instructions. Failure to follow these instructions can result in fire, asphyxiation, serious personal injury or death.

- **Do not apply insulation to the top of the water heater, as this will interfere with safe operation of drafthood.**
- **Do not cover the temperature & pressure relief valve.**
- **Do not cover the instruction manual. Keep it on the side of the water heater or nearby for future reference.**
- **Do obtain new labels from A.O. Smith for placement on the blanket directly over the existing labels.**

HIGH ALTITUDE INSTALLATIONS

⚠ WARNING

INSTALLATIONS ABOVE 2000 FEET (610 METERS) REQUIRE REPLACEMENT OF THE BURNER ORIFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8.1.2 OF THE NATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE (ANSI Z223.1). FAILURE TO REPLACE THE ORIFICE WILL RESULT IN IMPROPER AND INEFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE APPLIANCE RESULTING IN THE PRODUCTION OF INCREASED LEVELS OF CARBON MONOXIDE GAS IN EXCESS OF SAFE LIMITS WHICH COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

You should contact your gas supplier for any specific changes which may be required in your area.

As elevation above sea level is increased, there is less oxygen per cubic foot of air. Therefore, the heater input rate should be reduced at high altitudes for satisfactory operation with the reduced oxygen supply. Failure to make this reduction would result in an overfiring of the heater causing sooting, poor combustion and/or unsatisfactory heater performance.

REQUIREMENTS

Ratings specified by manufacturers for most appliances apply for elevations up to 2000 feet. For elevations above 2000 feet, ratings must be reduced at the rate of 4% for each 1000 feet above sea level. For example, if a heater is rated at 120,000 Btuh at sea level, to rate the heater at 4000 feet, you subtract 4 (once for each thousand feet) x.04 (4% input reduction) x 120,000 Btuh (original rating) from the original rating. Therefore, to calculate the input rating at 4,000 feet: 4 x .04 x 120,000 =19,200 Btuh, 120,000 - 19,200 = 100,800 Btuh. At 6000 feet the correct input rating should be 91,200 Btuh.

The input reduction is primarily achieved by reducing the size of the main burner orifices. To do this, the main burner orifices require replacement with orifices sized for the particular installation elevation. Correct orifice sizing and parts may be obtained from A.O. Smith Water Products Company. When ordering, be sure to state the model number and the altitude of the location where the water heater is being installed.

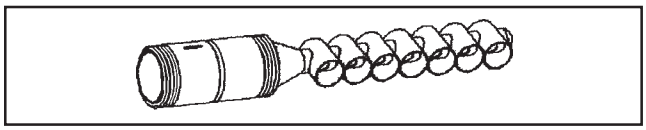
Upon completion of derating of the heater, adjustment to the gas pressure regulator may be required. See CHECKING THE INPUT section in this manual for inlet and manifold pressure requirements.

Also due to the input rating reduction required at high altitudes, the output rating of the appliance is also reduced and should be compensated for in the sizing of the equipment for application.

FEATURES

THE ELIMINATOR™ (SELF-CLEANING SYSTEM)

These units include The Eliminator (Self-Cleaning System) installed in the front water inlet, see Figure 2. The Eliminator must be oriented correctly for proper function. There is a marked range on the pipe nipple portion of the Eliminator, that must be aligned with the top of the inlet spud. A label above the jacket hole has an arrow that will point to the marked portion of the pipe nipple if the orientation is correct. If the arrow does not point within the marked range on the pipe nipple, adjust the pipe nipple to correct. A pipe union is supplied with the Eliminator to reduce the probability of misaligning the Eliminator accidentally while tightening the connection to the inlet water supply line. Improper orientation of the Eliminator can cause poor performance of the heater and can significantly reduce outlet water temperatures during heavy draws.



Note: The inlet tube may have 1, 3 or 7 cross tubes.

FIGURE 2

For proper function, the Eliminator must be oriented correctly. There is a marked range on the pipe nipple that must be aligned with the top of the inlet spud (check for label on the appliance) to assure proper operation. Please check to confirm that the marked range is in alignment with the top of the spud. A pipe union is supplied with the Eliminator to help eliminate the

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possibility of changing the orientation by accidentally overtightening the inlet supply. Improper orientation of the Eliminator may cause temperature buildup issues or spells of colder than usual water temperatures.

HIGH LIMIT SWITCH

The digital thermostat (see Figure 3) contains the high limit (energy cutoff) sensor. The high limit switch interrupts main burner gas flow should the water temperature reach 203°F(195°C).

In the event of high limit switch operation, the appliance cannot be restarted unless the water temperature is reduced to approximately 120°F (49°C). The high limit reset button on the front of the control then needs to be depressed.

Continued manual resetting of high limit control, preceded by higher than usual water temperature is evidence of high limit switch operation. The following is a possible reason for high limit switch operation.

A malfunction in the thermostatic controls would allow the gas valve to remain open causing water temperature to exceed the thermostat setting. The water temperature would continue to rise until high limit switch operation.

Contact your dealer or service agent if continued high limit switch operation occurs.

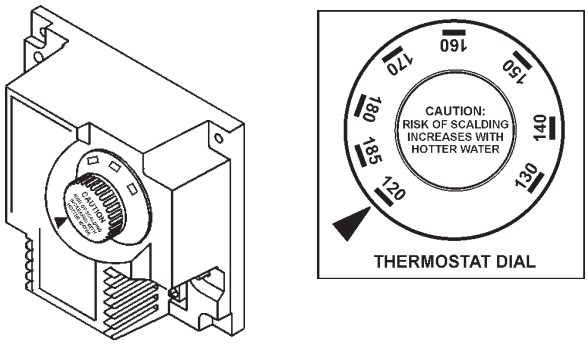

FIGURE 3 - DIGITAL THERMOSTAT

ELECTRONIC IGNITION CONTROL

Each heater is equipped with a ignition module. The solid state ignition control (see Figure 4), ignites the main burner by utilizing a silicone nitride ignitor. The silicone nitride ignitor shuts off during the heating cycle and the main burner flame is sensed through a remote flame sensor integral to the silicone nitride ignitor assembly. The ignition control will try to ignite the main burner three times before lockout. Then it waits one hour before trying again to ignite the main burners. This is a continuous cycle.

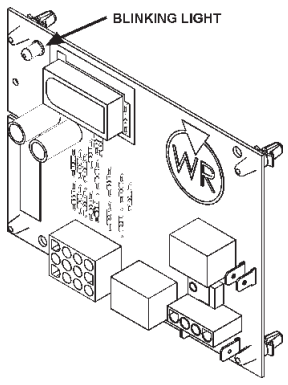

FIGURE 4 - IGNITION CONTROL BOARD

EXHAUST INDUCER (BLOWER ASSEMBLY)

All units are equipped with a exhaust inducer. The inducer assists in drawing in fresh air to the unit for combustion and then assists in dispensing the combustion by-products into the venting leading outside.

The exhaust inducer is equipped with a gravity controlled damper to reduce the amount of heat loss through the flue, improving efficiency.

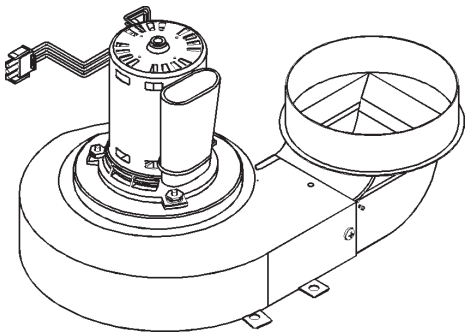

FIGURE 5 - EXHAUST INDUCER

CIRCULATING PUMP

A circulating pump is used when a system requires a circulating loop or there is a storage tank used in conjunction with the heater. Refer to the piping diagrams at rear of manual for electrical hookup information and install in accordance with the latest version of the National Electric Code ANSI/NFPA No. 70.

Only all bronze circulators are used with commercial water heaters.

Although circulators are oiled and operated by the manufacturer some circulators must be oiled again before operating. Please refer to manufacturer's instructions.

DISHWASHING MACHINE REQUIREMENT

These appliances meet the National Sanitation Foundation Standard for sanitary installations when used with the following leg kits, Part No's. 6570-0 and 6570-7.

All dishwashing machines meeting the National Sanitation Foundation requirements are designed to operate with water flow pressures between 15 and 25 psi. Flow pressures above 25 psi, or below 15 psi, will result in improperly sanitized dishes. Where pressures are high, a water pressure reducing or flow regulating control valve should be used in 180°F (82°C) line to the dishwashing machine, and should be adjusted to deliver water between these limits.

The National Sanitation Foundation also recommends circulation of 180°F (82°C) water. Where this is done, the circulation should be very gentle so that it does not cause any unnecessary turbulence inside the water heater. The circulation should be just enough to provide 180°F (82°C) water at the point of take-off to the dishwashing machine. Adjust flow by means of the plug cock in the circulating line.

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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

REQUIRED ABILITY

INSTALLATION OR SERVICE OF THIS WATER HEATER REQUIRES ABILITY EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF A LICENSED TRADESMAN IN THE FIELD INVOLVED. PLUMBING, AIR SUPPLY, VENTING, GAS SUPPLY AND ELECTRICAL WORK ARE REQUIRED.

⚠ WARNING

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

UNCRATING

The heater is shipped with the inducer already installed. The wiring conduit runs from the thermostat to the inducer. Before turning unit on, check to make sure the wiring conduit is securely plugged into the inducer.

LOCATING THE HEATER

⚠ WARNING

THERE IS A RISK IN USING FUEL BURNING APPLIANCES SUCH AS GAS WATER HEATERS IN ROOMS, GARAGES OR OTHER AREAS WHERE GASOLINE, OTHER FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS OR ENGINE DRIVEN EQUIPMENT OR VEHICLES ARE STORED, OPERATED OR REPAIRED. FLAMMABLE VAPORS ARE HEAVY AND TRAVEL ALONG THE FLOOR AND MAY BE IGNITED BY THE HEATER'S PILOT OR MAIN BURNER FLAMES CAUSING FIRE OR EXPLOSION. SOME LOCAL CODES PERMIT OPERATION OF GAS APPLIANCES IN SUCH AREAS IF THEY ARE INSTALLED 18" OR MORE ABOVE THE FLOOR. THIS MAY REDUCE THE RISK IF LOCATION IN SUCH AN AREA CANNOT BE AVOIDED.

DO NOT INSTALL THIS WATER HEATER DIRECTLY ON A CARPETED FLOOR. A FIRE HAZARD MAY RESULT. Instead the water heater must be placed on a metal or wood panel extending beyond the full width and depth by at least 3 inches in any direction. If the heater is installed in a carpeted alcove, the entire floor shall be covered by the panel. Also, see the DRAINING requirements in MAINTENANCE Section.

THE HEATER SHALL BE LOCATED OR PROTECTED SO IT IS NOT SUBJECT TO PHYSICAL DAMAGE BY A MOVING VEHICLE.

⚠ WARNING

FLAMMABLE ITEMS, PRESSURIZED CONTAINERS OR ANY OTHER POTENTIAL FIRE HAZARDOUS ARTICLES MUST NEVER BE PLACED ON OR ADJACENT TO THE HEATER. OPEN CONTAINERS OR FLAMMABLE MATERIAL SHOULD NOT BE STORED OR USED IN THE SAME ROOM WITH THE HEATER.

When installing the heater, consideration must be given to proper location. Location selected should be as close to the stack or chimney as practicable, with adequate air supply and as centralized with the piping system as possible.

THE HEATER MUST NOT BE LOCATED IN AN AREA WHERE IT WILL BE SUBJECT TO FREEZING.

LOCATE IT NEAR A FLOOR DRAIN. THE HEATER SHOULD BE LOCATED IN AN AREA WHERE LEAKAGE FROM THE HEATER OR CONNECTIONS WILL NOT RESULT IN DAMAGE TO THE ADJACENT AREA OR TO LOWER FLOORS OF THE STRUCTURE. WHEN SUCH LOCATIONS CANNOT BE AVOIDED, A SUITABLE DRAIN PAN SHOULD BE INSTALLED UNDER THE HEATER. Such pans should be fabricated with sides at least 2" deep, with length and width at least 2" greater than the diameter of the heater and must be piped to an adequate drain. The pan must not restrict combustion air flow.

For appliance installation locations with elevations above 2000 feet (610m), refer to HIGH ALTITUDE INSTALLATIONS section of this manual for input reduction procedure.

LEVELING

If the unit is not level, insert the bolts which were used in crating into the legs to correct this condition.

CLEARANCES

These heaters are approved for installation on combustible flooring in an alcove when the minimum clearance from any combustion construction are followed as indicated in figure 6.

Model BTR 151 and 201A is approved for installation on non-cumbustible flooring or combustible flooring with leg kit part no. 6570.

In all installations the minimum combustible clearances from vent piping shall be 6". Vent piping passing through a combustible wall or ceiling must be a continuous run (no joints) and retain the 6" clearance unless an approved reducing thimble is used.

A service clearance of 24" should be maintained from serviceable parts, such as relief valves, flue baffles, thermostats, cleanout openings or drain valves.

The units are approved for installation with side, rear and ceiling clearances.

HARD WATER

Where hard water conditions exist, water softening or the threshold type of water treatment is recommended. This will protect the dishwashers, coffee urns, water heaters, water piping and other equipment.

See MAINTENANCE section for details of tank cleanout procedure.

AIR REQUIREMENTS

REFER TO THE LATEST EDITION OF THE "NATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE" ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54.

KEEP APPLIANCE AREA CLEAR AND FREE OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS, GASOLINE AND OTHER FLAMMABLES, VAPORS AND LIQUIDS.

DO NOT OBSTRUCT THE FLOW OF COMBUSTION OR VENTILATING AIR.

⚠ WARNING

FOR SAFE OPERATION PROVIDE ADEQUATE AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION. AN INSUFFICIENT SUPPLY OF AIR WILL CAUSE RECIRCULATION OF COMBUSTION PRODUCTS RESULTING IN AIR CONTAMINATION THAT MAY BE HAZARDOUS TO LIFE. SUCH A CONDITION OFTEN WILL RESULT IN A YELLOW, LUMINOUS BURNER FLAME, CAUSING

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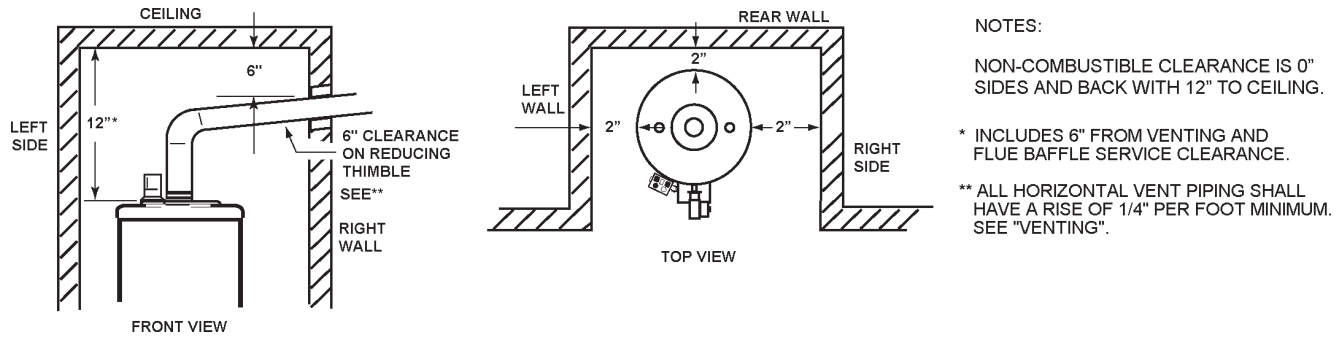

FIGURE 6 - ILLUSTRATION OF MINIMUM COMBUSTIBLE CLEARANCES IN AN ALCOVE

CARBONING OR SOOTING OF THE COMBUSTION CHAMBER, BURNERS AND FLUE TUBES AND CREATES A RISK OF ASPHYXIATION.

Where an exhaust fan is supplied in the same room with a heater, sufficient openings for air must be provided in the walls. **UNDERSIZED OPENINGS WILL CAUSE AIR TO BE DRAWN INTO THE ROOM THROUGH THE CHIMNEY, CAUSING POOR COMBUSTION. SOOTING MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS DAMAGE TO THE HEATER AND RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION.**

UNCONFINED SPACE

In buildings of conventional frame, brick, or stone construction, unconfined spaces may provide adequate air for combustion, ventilation and draft hood dilution.

If the unconfined space is within a building of tight construction (buildings using the following construction: weather stripping, heavy insulation, caulking, vapor barrier, etc.), air for combustion, ventilation and draft hood dilution must be obtained from outdoors. The installation instructions for confined spaces in tightly constructed buildings must be followed to ensure adequate air supply.

CONFINED SPACE

When drawing combustion and dilution air from inside a conventionally constructed building to a confined space, such a space shall be provided with two permanent openings, ONE IN OR WITHIN 12 INCHES OF THE ENCLOSURE TOP AND ONE IN OR WITHIN 12 INCHES OF THE ENCLOSURE BOTTOM. Each opening shall have a free area of at least one square inch per 1000 Btuh of the total input of all appliances in the enclosure, but not less than 100 square inches.

If the confined space is within a building of tight construction, air for combustion, ventilation, must be obtained from outdoors. When directly communicating with the outdoors or communicating with the outdoors through vertical ducts, two permanent openings, located in the above manner, shall be provided. Each opening shall have a free area of not less than one square inch per 4000 Btuh of the total input of all appliances in the enclosure. If horizontal ducts are used, each opening shall have a free area of not less than one square inch per 2000 Btuh of the total input of all appliances in the enclosure.

VENTING

⚠ WARNING

THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS SECTION ON VENTING MUST BE FOLLOWED TO AVOID CHOKED COMBUSTION OR RECIRCULATION OF FLUE GASES. SUCH CONDITIONS CAUSE SOOTING OR RISKS OF FIRE AND ASPHYXIATION.

Heater must be protected from freezing downdrafts.

Remove all soot or other obstructions from the chimney that will retard a free draft.

Type B venting is recommended with these heaters.

This water heater must be vented in compliance with all local codes, the current revision of the National Fuel Gas Code (ANSI-Z223.1) and with the Category I Venting Tables.

If any part of the vent system are exposed to ambient temperatures below 40°F (4°C) it must be insulated to prevent condensation.

The following steps shall be followed with each appliance connected to the venting system placed in operation, while any other appliances connected to the venting system are not in operation.

1. Seal any unused openings in the venting system.
2. Inspect the venting system for proper size and horizontal pitch, as required in the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1. Determine that there is no blockage or restriction, leakage, corrosion and other deficiencies which could cause an unsafe condition.
3. So far as is practical, close all building doors and windows and all doors between the space in which the water heater(s) connected to the venting system are located and other spaces of the building. Turn on all appliances not connected to the venting system. Turn on all exhaust fans, such as range hoods and bathroom exhausts, so they shall operate at maximum speed. Close fireplace dampers.
4. Follow the lighting instruction. Place the water heater being inspected in operation. Adjust thermostat so appliance shall operate continuously.
5. After it has been determined that each appliance connected to the venting system properly vents when tested as outlined above, return doors, windows, exhaust fans, fireplace dampers and any other gas burning appliance to their previous conditions of use.
6. If improper venting is observed during any of the above tests, the venting system must be corrected.

⚠ WARNING

FAILURE TO CORRECT BACK DRAFTS MAY CAUSE AIR CONTAMINATION AND UNSAFE CONDITIONS.

- If the back draft cannot be corrected by the normal method or if a suitable draft cannot be obtained, a blower type flue gas exhauster must be employed to assure proper venting and correct combustion.

- Do not connect the heater to a common vent or chimney with solid fuel burning equipment. This practice is prohibited by many local building codes as is the practice of venting gas fired equipment to the duct work of ventilation systems.

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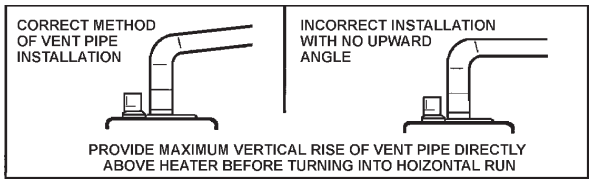
CORRECT METHOD OF VENT PIPE INSTALLATION
INCORRECT INSTALLATION WITH NO UPWARD ANGLE
PROVIDE MAXIMUM VERTICAL RISE OF VENT PIPE DIRECTLY ABOVE HEATER BEFORE TURNING INTO HOIZONTAL RUN

FIGURE 7

- Where a separate vent connection is not available and the vent pipe from the heater must be connected to a common vent with an oil burning furnace, the vent pipe should enter the smaller common vent or chimney at a point above the large vent pipe.

MULTIPLE HEATER MANIFOLD

When horizontally manifolding two or more heaters vent as shown in Figure 8. Refer to NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1 for venting multiple heaters.

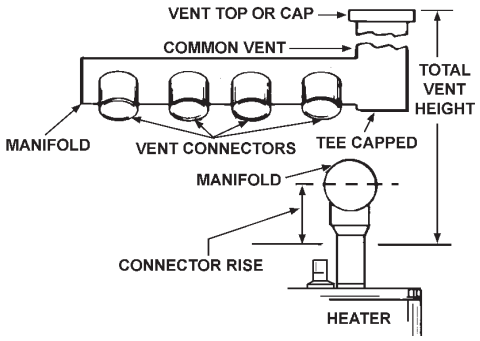

FIGURE 8

WATER LINE CONNECTIONS

This manual provides detailed installation diagrams (see pages 12 thru 17 of this manual) for typical methods of application for the water heaters.

The water heater may be installed by itself, or with a separate storage tank, on both single and two-temperature systems. When used with a separate storage tank, the circulation may be either by gravity or by means of a circulating pump. When a circulating pump is used it is important to note that the flow rate should be slow so that there will be a minimum of turbulence inside the heater.

If a water heater is installed in a closed water system, contact the water supplier or local plumbing inspector on how to control this situation.

WATER (POTABLE) HEATING AND SPACE HEATING

1. All piping components connected to this unit for space heating applications shall be suitable for use with potable water.
2. Toxic chemicals, such as those used for boiler treatment, shall NEVER be introduced into this system.
3. This unit may NEVER be connected to any existing heating system or component(s) previously used with a non-potable water heating appliance.
4. When the system requires water for space heating at temperatures higher than required for domestic water purposes, a tempering valve must be installed. Please refer to installation diagrams on pages 12 thru 17 of this manual for suggested piping arrangements.

⚠ CAUTION

A closed system will exist if a check valve (without bypass), pressure reducing valve (without bypass), or a water meter (without bypass) is installed in the cold water line between the water heater and street main (or well).

Excessive pressure may develop in such closed systems, causing premature tank failure or intermittent relief valve operation. This is not a warranty failure. An expansion tank or a similar device may be required in the inlet supply line between the appliance and the meter or valve to compensate for the thermal expansion of the water.

SYSTEM CONNECTIONS

The system installation must conform to these instructions and to the local code authority having jurisdiction. Good practice requires that all heavy piping be supported.

THERMOMETERS (Not Supplied)

Thermometers should be obtained and field installed as shown in the installation diagrams.

Thermometers are installed in the system as a means of detecting the temperature of the outlet water supply.

RELIEF VALVE

This water heater is equipped with a combination temperature-pressure relief valve that complies with the standard for relief valves and automatic gas shutoff devices for hot water supply system, ANSI Z21.22. **FOR SAFE OPERATION OF THE WATER HEATER, THE RELIEF VALVE(S) MUST NOT BE REMOVED OR PLUGGED.**

ASME ratings cover pressure relief capacities. A.G.A. ratings cover release rate with temperature actuation.

In addition to the appliance relief valve, each remote storage tank which may be used in conjunction with this appliance shall also be installed with a properly sized, rated and approved combination temperature (ANSI) and pressure (ASME) relief valve(s).

⚠ WARNING

THE PURPOSE OF RELIEF VALVE IS TO AVOID EXCESSIVE PRESSURE OR TEMPERATURE INTO THE STEAM RANGE, WHICH MAY CAUSE SCALDING AT FIXTURES, TANK EXPLOSION, SYSTEM OR HEATER DAMAGE. NO VALVE IS TO BE PLACED BETWEEN THE RELIEF VALVE AND TANK.

Your local code authority may have other specific relief valve requirements.

A DRAIN LINE MUST BE CONNECTED TO THE RELIEF VALVE TO DIRECT DISCHARGE TO A SAFE LOCATION TO AVOID SCALDING OR WATER DAMAGE. THIS LINE MUST NOT BE REDUCED FROM THE SIZE OF THE VALVE OUTLET AND MUST NOT CONTAIN VALVES, RESTRICTIONS NOR SHOULD IT BE LOCATED IN FREEZING AREAS. DO NOT THREAD OR CAP THE END OF THIS LINE. RESTRICTED OR BLOCKED DISCHARGE WILL DEFEAT THE PURPOSE OF THE VALVE AND IS UNSAFE. DISCHARGE LINE SHALL BE INSTALLED TO ALLOW COMPLETE DRAINAGE OF BOTH THE VALVE AND LINE.

See SERVICE INFORMATION section for procedure and precautions.

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GAS PIPING

Contact your local gas service company to ensure that adequate gas service is available and to review applicable installation codes for your area.

Size the main gas line in accordance with Table 2. The figures shown are for straight lengths of pipe at 0.5 in. W.C. pressure drop, which is considered normal for low pressure systems. Note: Fittings such as elbows, tees and line regulators will add to the pipe pressure drop. Also refer to the latest version of the National Fuel Gas Code.

⚠ WARNING

THE HEATER IS NOT INTENDED FOR OPERATION AT HIGHER THAN 14.0" W.C.(3.48 kPa) - NATURAL GAS, 14.0" W.C.(3.48kPa) EXPOSURE TO HIGHER SUPPLY PRESSURE MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE GAS VALVE WHICH COULD RESULT IN FIRE OR EXPLOSION. IF OVERPRESSURE HAS OCCURRED SUCH AS THROUGH IMPROPER TESTING OF GAS LINES OR EMERGENCY MALFUNCTION OF THE SUPPLY SYSTEM, THE GAS VALVE MUST BE CHECKED FOR SAFE OPERATION. MAKE SURE THAT THE OUTSIDE VENTS ON THE SUPPLY REGULATORS AND THE SAFETY VENT VALVES ARE PROTECTED AGAINST BLOCKAGE. THESE ARE PARTS OF THE GAS SUPPLY SYSTEM, NOT THE HEATER. VENT BLOCKAGE MAY OCCUR DURING ICE STORMS.

TABLE 2 - GAS SUPPLY LINE SIZES (IN INCHES)*
MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF PIPE IN CUBIC FEET PER HOUR
(Based upon a Pressure Drop of 0.5 inch Water Column and 0.6 specific Gravity Gas and max. gas pressure of 0.5 psig)

LENGTH	NOMINAL IRON PIPE SIZES (INCHES)								
IN FEET	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1 1/4"	1 1/2"	2"	2 1/2"	3"	4"
10	175	360	680	1400	2100	3960	6300	11000	23000
20	120	250	465	950	1460	2750	4360	7700	15800
30	97	200	375	770	1180	2200	3520	6250	12800
40	82	170	320	660	990	1900	3000	5300	10900
50	73	151	285	580	900	1680	2650	4750	9700
60	66	138	260	530	810	1520	2400	4300	8800
70	61	125	240	490	750	1400	2250	3900	8100
80	57	118	220	460	690	1300	2050	3700	7500
90	53	110	205	430	650	1220	1950	3450	7200
100	50	103	195	400	620	1150	1850	3250	6700
125	44	93	175	360	550	1020	1650	2950	6000
150	40	84	160	325	500	950	1500	2650	5500
175	37	77	145	300	460	850	1370	2450	5000
200	35	72	135	280	430	800	1280	2280	4600

IT IS IMPORTANT TO GUARD AGAINST GAS VALVE FOULING FROM CONTAMINANTS IN THE GAS WAYS. SUCH FOULING MAY CAUSE IMPROPER OPERATION, FIRE OR EXPLOSION.

IF COPPER SUPPLY LINES ARE USED THEY MUST BE INTERNALLY TINNED AND CERTIFIED FOR GAS SERVICE. BEFORE ATTACHING THE GAS LINE, BE SURE THAT ALL GAS PIPE IS CLEAN ON THE INSIDE.

TO TRAP ANY DIRT OR FOREIGN MATERIAL IN THE GAS SUPPLY LINE, A DIRT LEG (SOMETIMES CALLED SEDIMENT TRAP OR DRIP LEG) MUST BE INCORPORATED IN THE PIPING (SEE FIG. 9). THE DIRT LEG MUST BE READILY ACCESSIBLE AND NOT SUBJECT TO FREEZING CONDITIONS. INSTALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS OF SERVING GAS SUPPLIERS. REFER TO THE LATEST VERSION OF THE NATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE.

To prevent damage, care must be taken not to apply too much torque when attaching gas supply pipe to gas valve inlet.

Apply joint compounds (pipe dope) sparingly and only to the male threads of pipe joints. Do not apply compounds to the first two threads. Use compounds resistant to the action of liquefied petroleum gases.

BEFORE PLACING THE HEATER IN OPERATION, CHECK FOR GAS LEAKAGE. Use soap and water solution or other material acceptable for the purpose in locating the leaks. **DO NOT USE MATCHES, CANDLES, FLAME OR OTHER SOURCES OF IGNITION FOR THIS PURPOSE.**

DISCONNECT THE HEATER AND ITS MANUAL GAS SHUTOFF VALVE FROM THE GAS SUPPLY PIPING SYSTEM DURING ANY SUPPLY PRESSURE TESTING EXCEEDING 1/2 PSIG. GAS SUPPLY LINE MUST BE CAPPED WHEN DISCONNECTED FROM THE HEATER FOR TEST PRESSURES OF 1/2 PSIG OR LESS. THE APPLIANCE NEED NOT BE DISCONNECTED, BUT MUST BE ISOLATED FROM THE SUPPLY PRESSURE TEST BY CLOSING THE MANUAL GAS SHUTOFF VALVE.

GAS PIPING AND DIRT LEG INSTALLATION

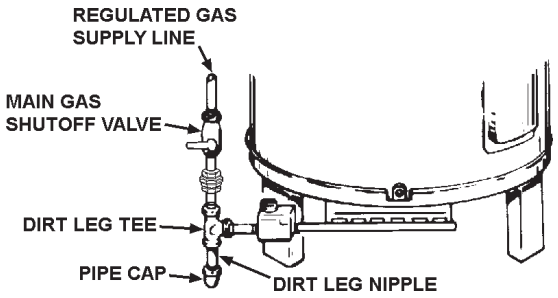

FIGURE 9

PURGING

Gas line purging is required with new piping or systems in which air has entered.

⚠ CAUTION

PURGING SHOULD BE PERFORMED BY PERSONS EXPERIENCED IN THIS TYPE GAS SERVICE. TO AVOID RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION, PURGE DISCHARGE MUST NOT ENTER CONFINED AREAS OR SPACES WHERE IGNITION CAN OCCUR. THE AREA MUST BE WELL VENTILATED AND ALL SOURCES OF IGNITION MUST BE INACTIVATED OR REMOVED.

GAS METER SIZE — NATURAL GASES ONLY

Be sure the gas meter has sufficient capacity to supply the full rated gas input of the water heater as well as the requirements of all other gas fired equipment supplied by the meter. If gas meter is too small, ask the gas company to install a larger meter having adequate capacity.

GAS PRESSURE REGULATOR

The gas pressure regulator is built into the gas valve and is equipped to operate on the gas specified on model and rating plate. The regulator is factory adjusted to deliver gas to burner at correct water column pressure allowing for a nominal pressure drop through the controls.

The minimum gas supply pressure for input adjustment must not be less than 4.5" w.c. for natural gas.

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Do not subject the combination gas valve to inlet gas pressures of more than 14.0" W.C. - natural gas. A service regulator is necessary if higher gas pressures are encountered. Manifold gas pressure in inches of water column is 3.5.

The gas pressure specified refers to flow pressure taken at pressure tap of automatic gas valve while heater is operating.

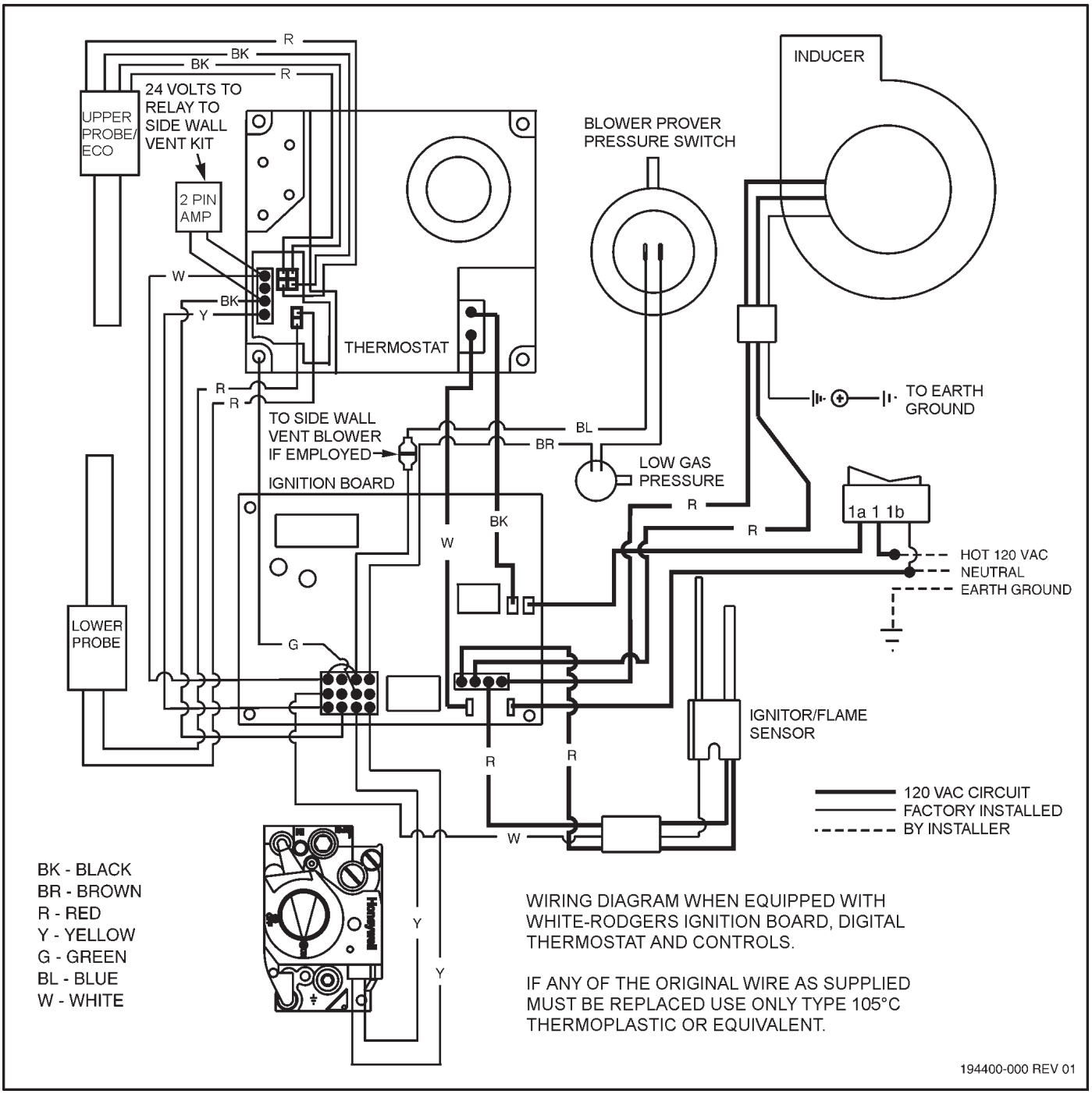
HEATER WIRING

All electrical work must be installed in accordance with the latest version of the National Electrical Code ANSI/NFPA No. 70, must conform to all local code authority having jurisdiction. **AN ELECTRICAL GROUND IS REQUIRED TO REDUCE RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK OR POSSIBLE ELECTROCUTION.**

If any of the original wire as supplied with the appliance must be replaced, use only type 105^{0}C thermoplastic or equivalent. 250^{0}C type F must be used for the flame sensor leads and the spark ignition cable must be high voltage 250^{0}C.

Figures shown are valid for 0-2000 ft. installations. See “HIGH ALTITUDE INSTALLATIONS” for deration requirements over 2000 ft.

FIGURE 10 - SINGLE UNIT WIRING DIAGRAM



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INSTALLATION DIAGRAMS

GENERAL

The type, size and location of the relief valves must be in accordance with local codes. The locations of the relief valves shown in the installation diagrams are typical. The heater has a factory installed high temperature limit switch and temperature and pressure relief valve.

Cold water lines to heater should be installed as shown in order to minimize gravity circulation of hot water to building cold water lines.

A listed temperature and pressure relief valve of adequate capacity is installed on the heater. The locations shown in the installation diagrams on the following pages are typical.

The discharge opening of the temperature and pressure relief valve, located in front of the heater must be piped to an open drain and should not be subject to freezing temperatures.

Install in accordance with all local codes.

⚠ DANGER

TEMPERATURE SETTING SHOULD NOT EXCEED SAFE USE TEMPERATURE AT FIXTURES. SEE WATER TEMPERATURE CONTROL WARNING ON PAGE 20. IF HIGHER PREHEAT TEMPERATURES ARE NECESSARY TO OBTAIN ADEQUATE BOOSTER OUTPUT, ADD AN ANTI-SCALD VALVE FOR HOT WATER SUPPLIED TO FIXTURES.

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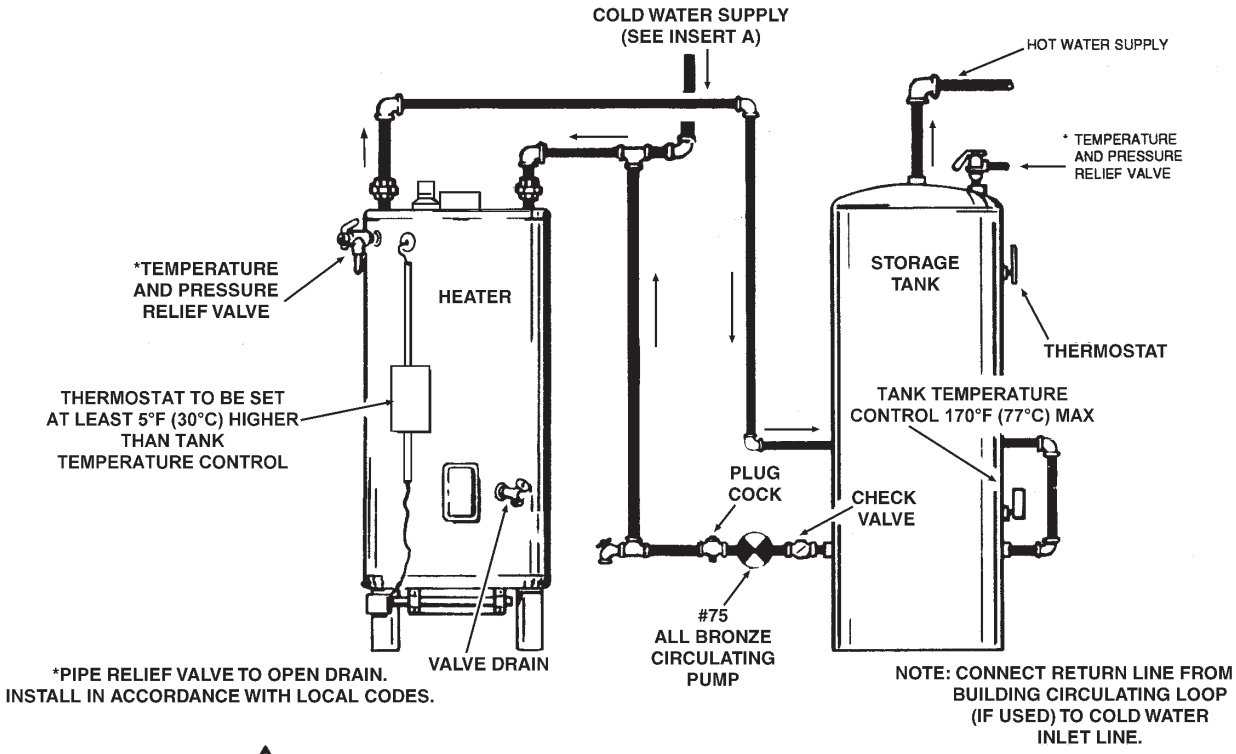
VERTICAL STORAGE TANK AND FORCED CIRCULATION



⚠ DANGER

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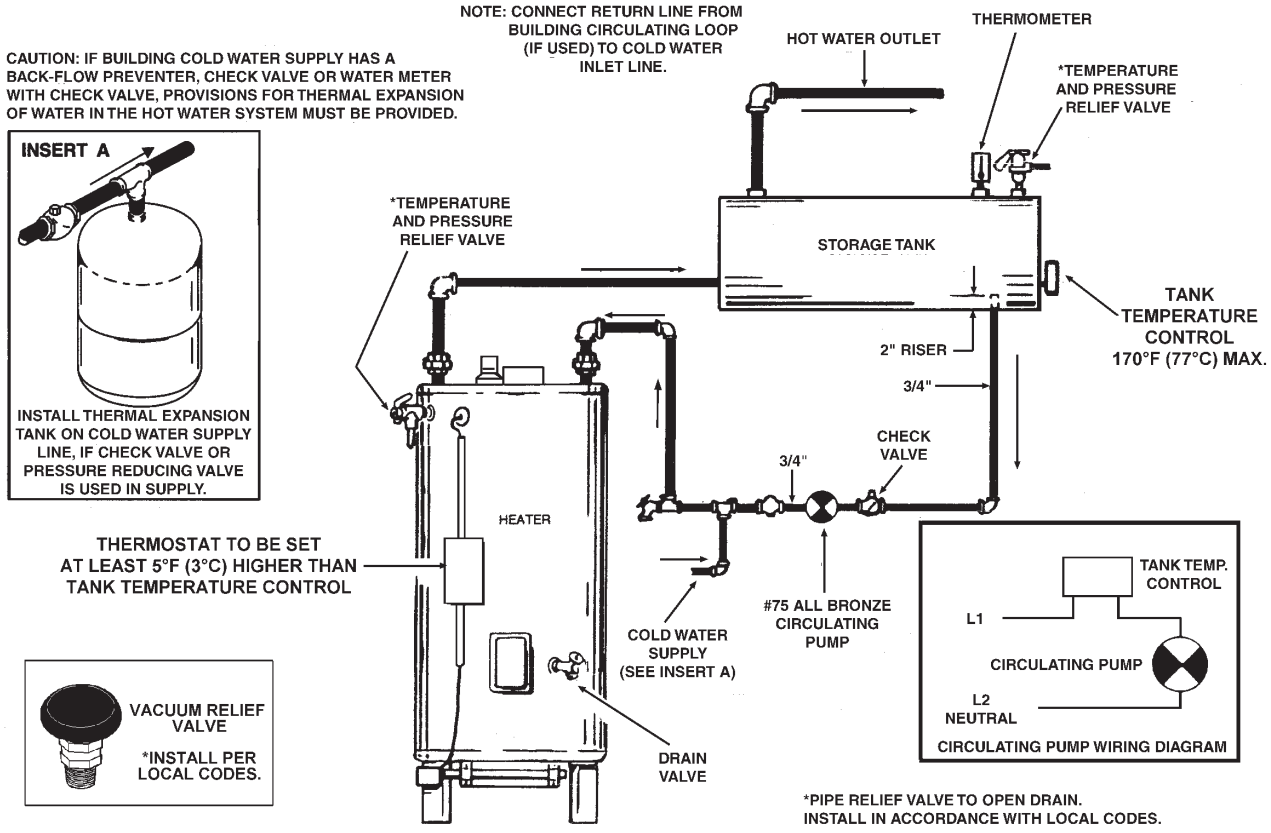
HORIZONTAL STORAGE TANK AND FORCED CIRCULATION



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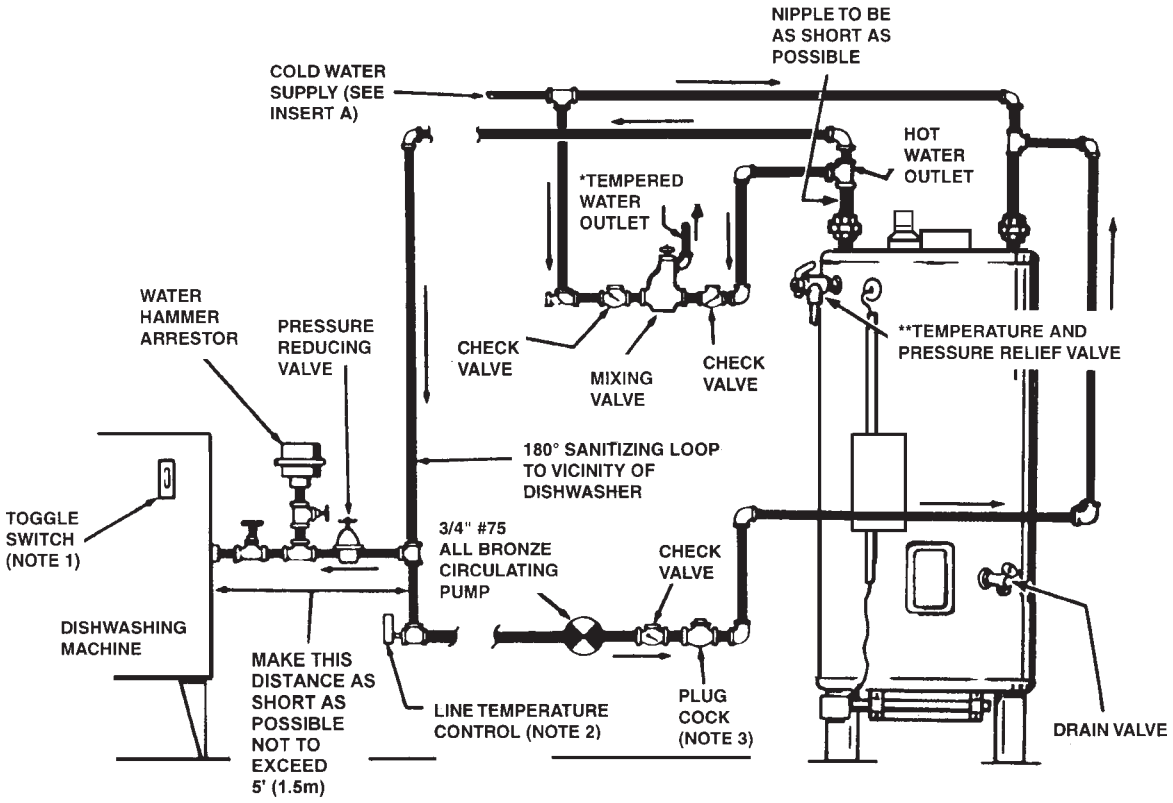
TWO TEMPERATURE - ONE HEATER HIGH TEMPERATURE STORAGE WITH RECIRCULATION OF SANITIZING LOOP


NIPPLE TO BE AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE
COLD WATER SUPPLY (SEE INSERT A)
HOT WATER OUTLET
*TEMPERED WATER OUTLET
WATER HAMMER ARRESTOR
PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE
CHECK VALVE
MIXING VALVE
CHECK VALVE
**TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE
180° SANITIZING LOOP TO VICINITY OF DISHWASHER
TOGGLE SWITCH (NOTE 1)
3/4" #75 ALL BRONZE CIRCULATING PUMP
CHECK VALVE
DISHWASHING MACHINE
MAKE THIS DISTANCE AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE NOT TO EXCEED 5' (1.5m)
LINE TEMPERATURE CONTROL (NOTE 2)
PLUG COCK (NOTE 3)
DRAIN VALVE

NOTE 1: TOGGLE SWITCH CONTROLS 180°F (82°C) WATER CIRCULATION. INSTALL ON OR CLOSE TO DISHWASHING MACHINE. TOGGLE SWITCH MUST BE CLOSED (ON) DURING THE RINSE OPERATION AND OPEN (OFF) WHEN DISHWASHER IS NOT OPERATING OR WHEN ON LONG STANDBY.

NOTE 2: INSTALL LINE TEMPERATURE CONTROL IN AN UNINSULATED TEE BEYOND THE DISHWASHING MACHINE TAKEOFF IN THE SANITIZING LOOP. CONTROL SHOULD BE SET AT 185°F (85°C).

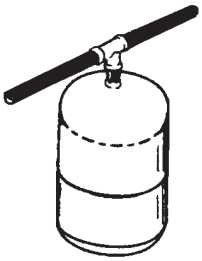
NOTE 3: ADJUST PLUG COCK SO THE SANITIZING LOOP FLOW RATE DOES NOT CAUSE UNNECESSARY TURBULENCE IN THE TANK.

* TEMPERED WATER LOOP, IF USED, CONNECT TO POINT "A".
**PIPE RELIEF VALVE TO OPEN DRAIN. INSTALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL CODES.

CAUTION: IF BUILDING COLD WATER SUPPLY HAS A BACKFLOW PREVENTER, CHECK VALVE OR WATER METER WITH CHECK VALVE. PROVISIONS FOR THERMAL EXPANSION OF WATER IN THE HOT WATER SYSTEM MUST BE PROVIDED.

⚠ DANGER

TEMPERATURE SETTING SHOULD NOT EXCEED SAFE USE TEMPERATURE AT FIXTURES. SEE WATER TEMPERATURE CONTROL WARNING ON PAGE 20. IF HIGHER PREHEAT TEMPERATURES ARE NECESSARY TO OBTAIN ADEQUATE BOOSTER OUTPUT, ADD AN ANTI-SCALD VALVE FOR HOT WATER SUPPLIED TO FIXTURES.

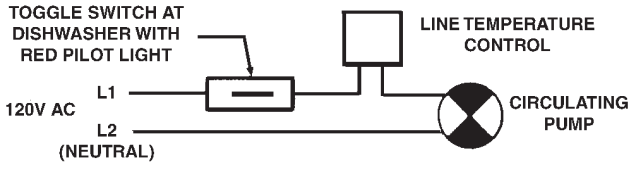


INSTALL THERMAL EXPANSION TANK IF CHECK VALVE OR PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE IS USED IN SUPPLY

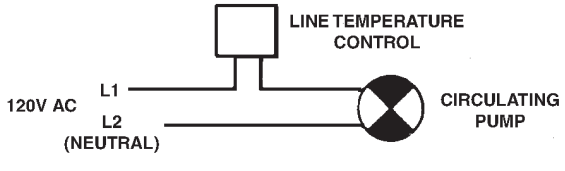
VACUUM RELIEF VALVE

*INSTALL PER LOCAL CODES.

WIRING DIAGRAM FOR 180°F (82°C)



WIRING DIAGRAM FOR TEMPERED WATER LOOP (IF USED)



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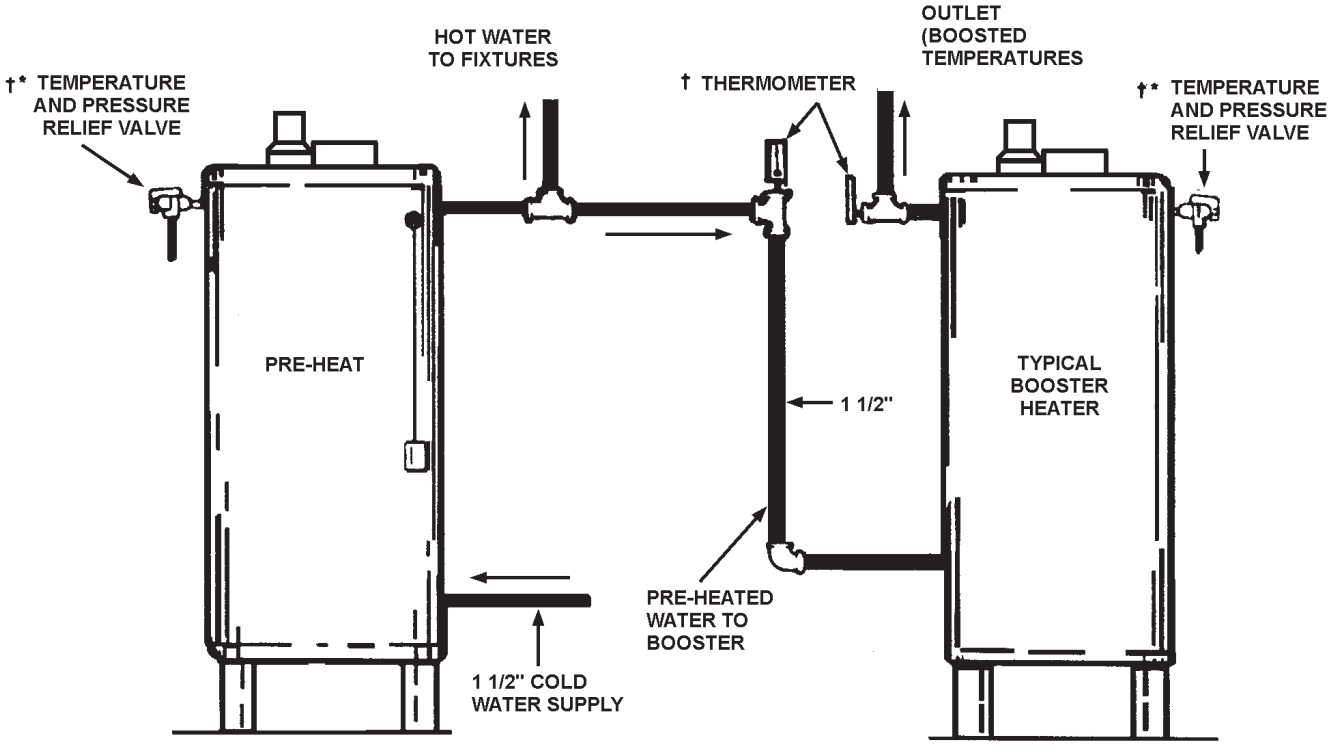
INSTALLATION DIAGRAMS-SIDE INLET/OUTLET USAGE

A listed temperature and pressure relief valve of adequate capacity is installed on the heater. The locations shown in the installation diagrams on the following pages are typical.

The discharge opening of the temperature and pressure relief valve must be piped to an open drain and should not be subject to freezing conditions. DO NOT REDUCE, BLOCK OR PLUG THE DISCHARGE OPENING OF THE VALVE.

TWO TEMPERATURE - TWO HEATERS, ONE PRE-HEATER/ONE - BOOSTER HEATER WITH OR WITHOUT BUILDING RECIRCULATION



⚠ DANGER

TEMPERATURE SETTING SHOULD NOT EXCEED SAFE USE TEMPERATURE AT FIXTURES. SEE WATER TEMPERATURE CONTROL WARNING ON PAGE 20. IF HIGHER PREHEAT TEMPERATURES ARE NECESSARY TO OBTAIN ADEQUATE BOOSTER OUTPUT, ADD AN ANTI-SCALD VALVE FOR HOT WATER SUPPLIED TO FIXTURES.

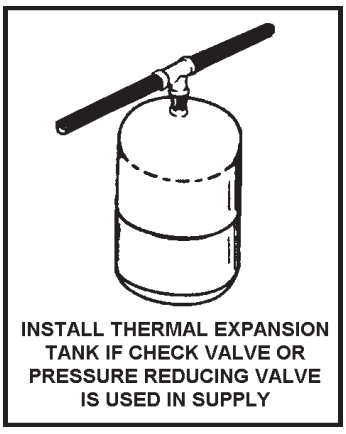
CIRCULATING RETURN LINE CONNECTION

- FROM FIXTURE LOOP, IF USED, CONNECT TO PRE-HEATER INLET.
- FROM BOOSTED TEMPERATURE LOOP, IF USED CONNECT TO BOOSTER INLET.

† AVAILABLE FROM A.O. SMITH.

* PIPE RELIEF VALVE TO OPEN DRAIN.

INSTALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL CODES.



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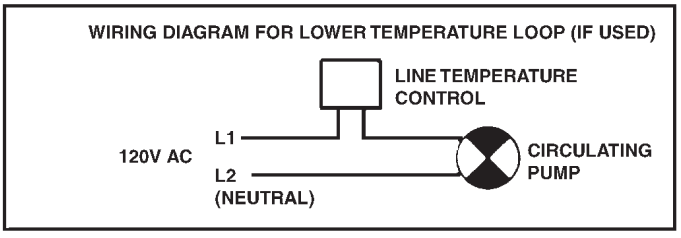

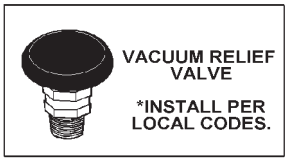

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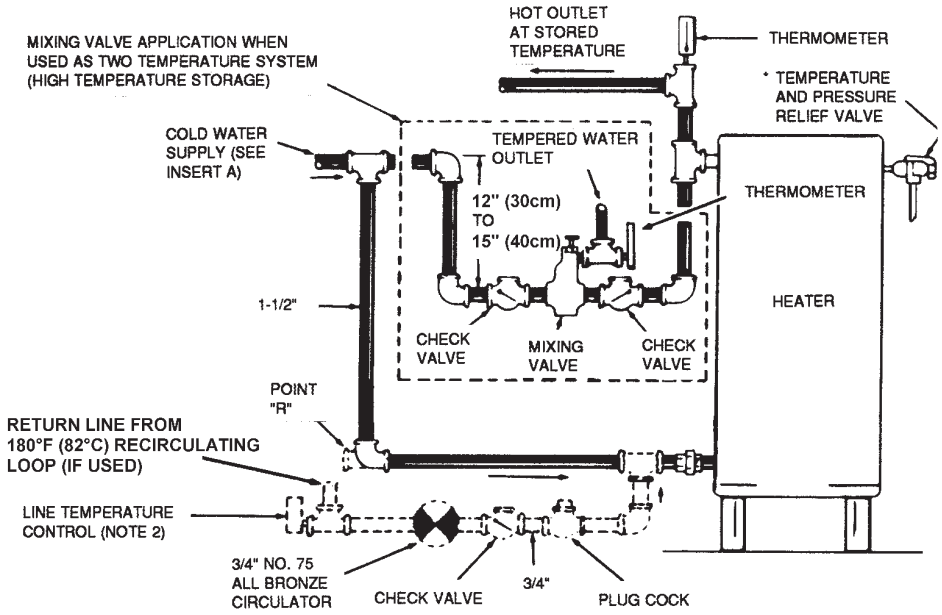
ONE OR TWO TEMPERATURE - ONE HEATERS,HIGH TEMPERATURE STORAGE WITH OR WITHOUT RECIRCULATION

HEATER WITH OR WITHOUT MIXING VALVE



⚠ DANGER

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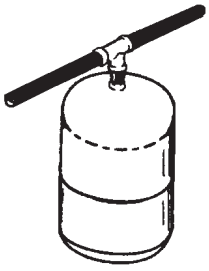


INSTALL THERMAL EXPANSION TANK IF CHECK VALVE OR PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE IS USED IN SUPPLY

HEATER WITH MIXING VALVE AND RECIRCULATED SANITIZING LOOP

* PIPE RELIEF VALVE TO OPEN DRAIN.

INSTALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL CODES.

CIRCULATING RETURN LINE CONNECTIONS.

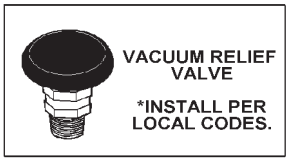
- TEMPERED WATER LOOP, IF USED, CONNECT TO POINT "R".

- STORED TEMPERATURE WATER LOOP, IF USED, CONNECT TO COLD WATER INLET.

NOTE 1: TOGGLE SWITCH CONTROLS 180°F (82°C) WATER CIRCULATION. INSTALL ON OR CLOSE TO DISHWASHING MACHINE. TOGGLE SWITCH MUST BE CLOSED (ON) DURING THE RINSE OPERATION AND OPEN (OFF) WHEN DISHWASHER IS NOT OPERATING OR WHEN ON LONG STANDBY.

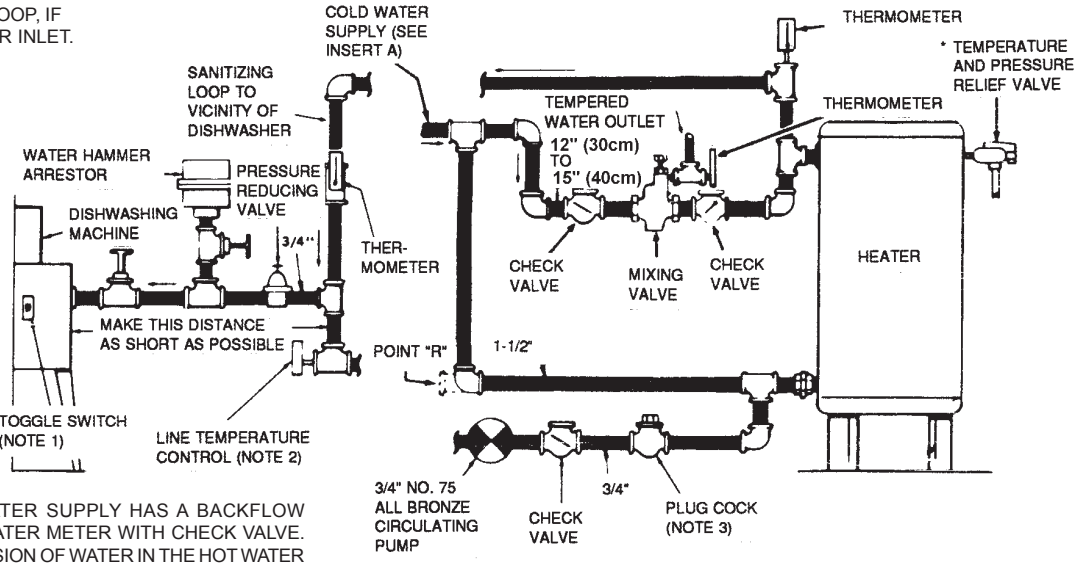
NOTE 2: INSTALL LINE TEMPERATURE CONTROL IN AN UNINSULATED TEE BEYOND THE DISHWASHING MACHINE TAKEOFF IN THE SANITIZING LOOP. CONTROL SHOULD BE SET AT 185°F (85°C).

NOTE 3: ADJUST PLUG COCK SO THE SANITIZING LOOP FLOW RATE DOES NOT CAUSE UNNECESSARY TURBULENCE IN THE TANK.



VACUUM RELIEF VALVE

***INSTALL PER LOCAL CODES.**



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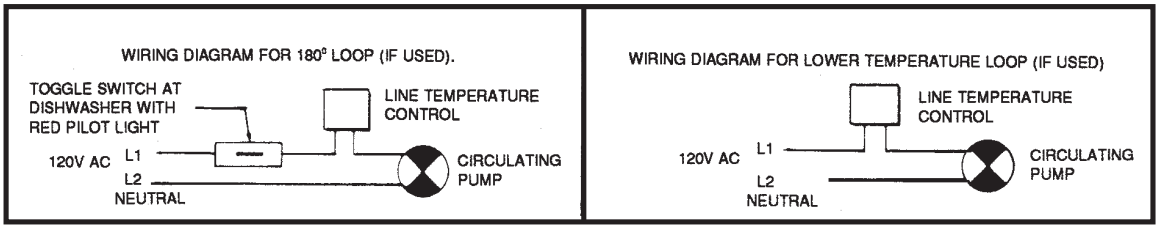

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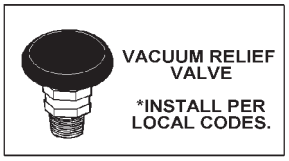
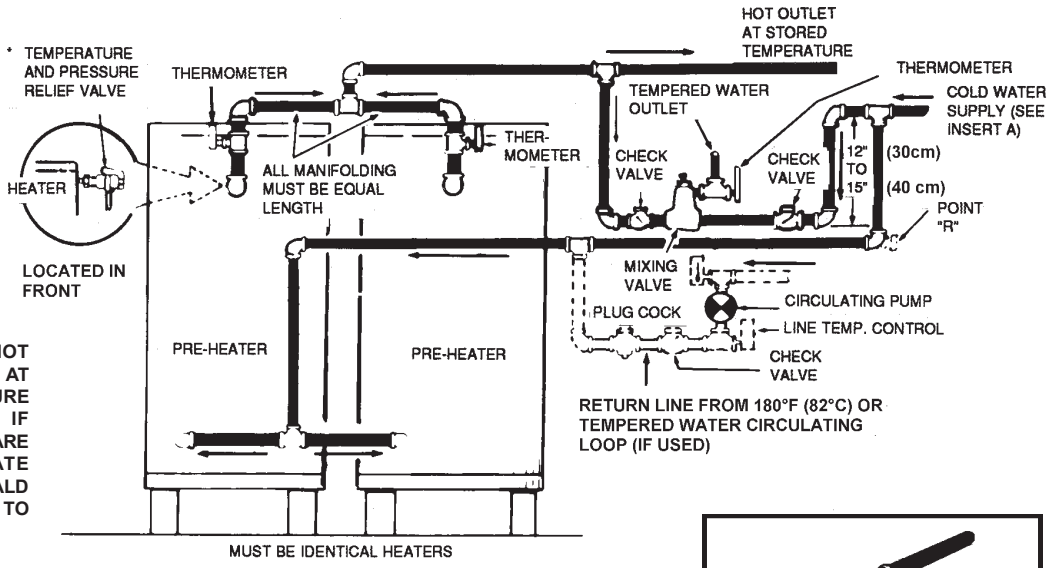
TWO TEMPERATURE - TWO PRE-HEATERS WITH MIXING VALVE OR BOOSTER HEATER WITH OR WITHOUT BUILING RECIRCULATION

TWO PRE-HEATERS WITH MIXING VALVE





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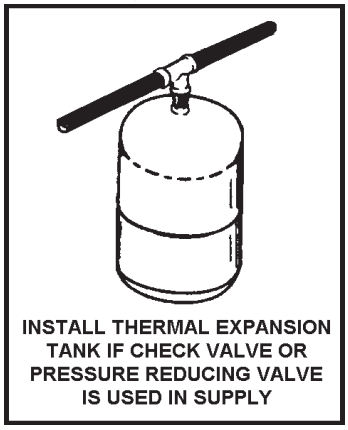

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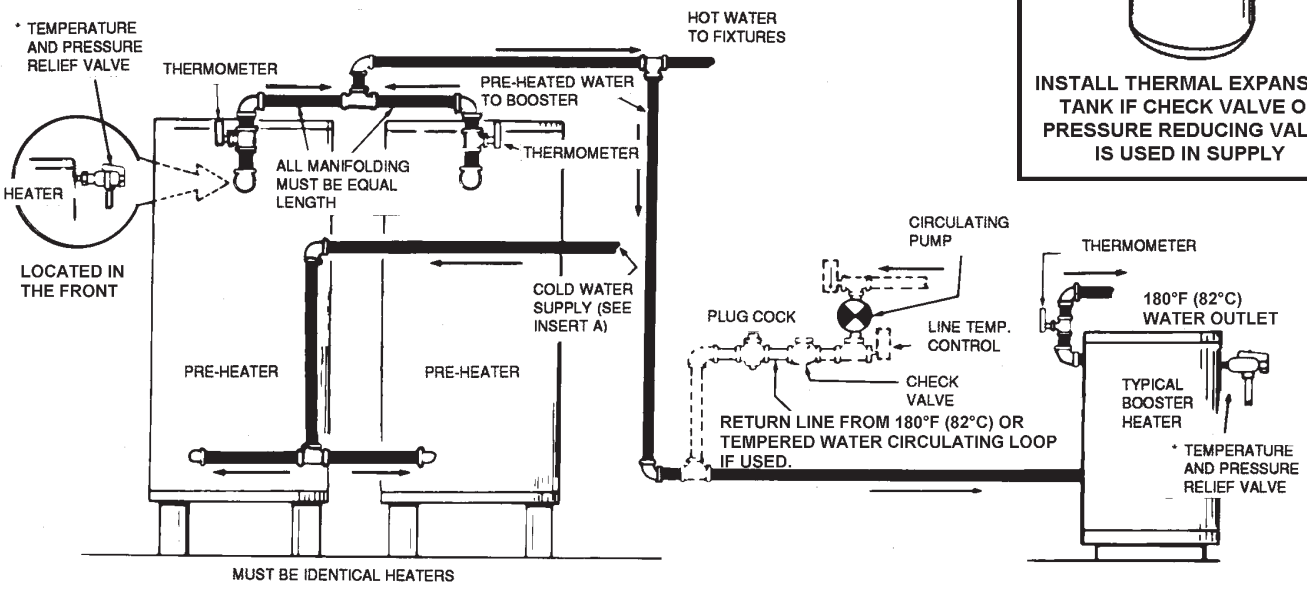

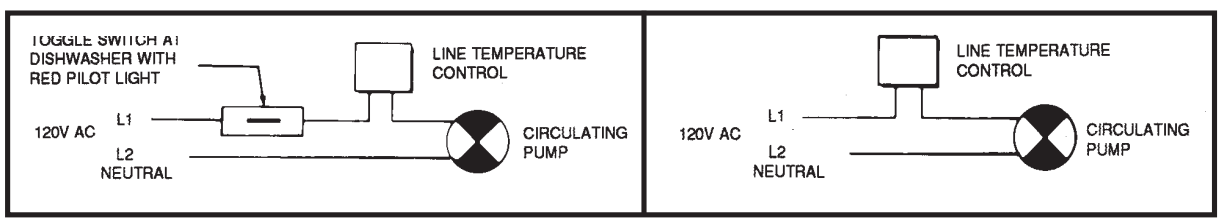

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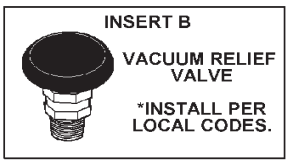
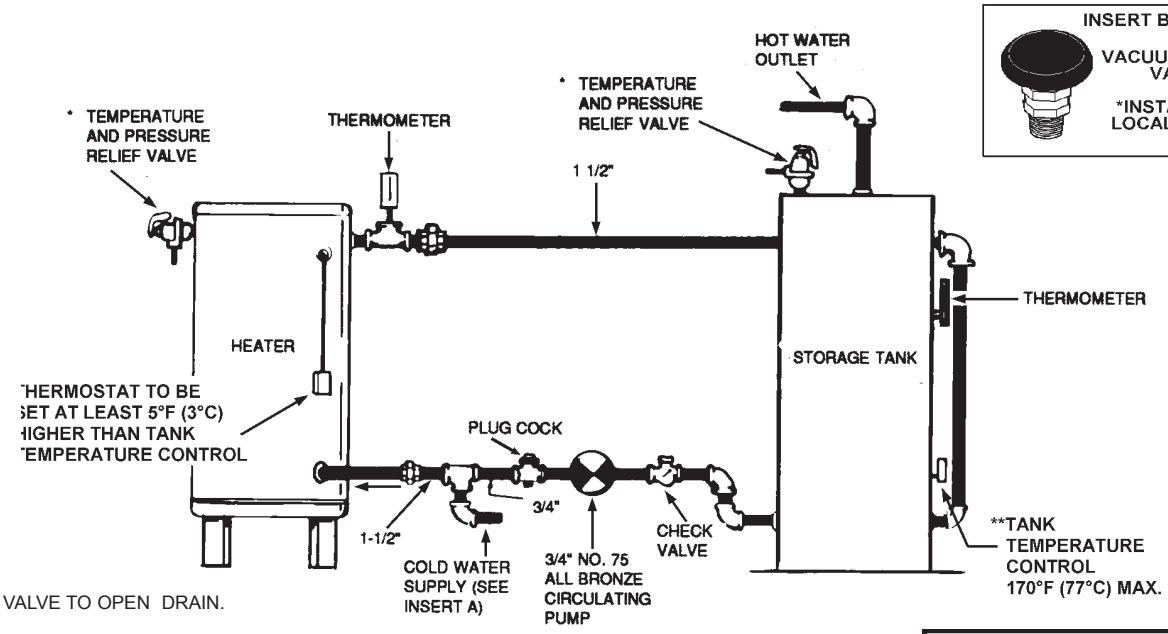
MEDIUM TEMPERATURE - ONE HEATER WITH AUXILIARY STORAGE TANK FORCED CIRCULATION WITH OR WITHOUT BUILDING RECIRCULATION

VERTICAL STORAGE TANK

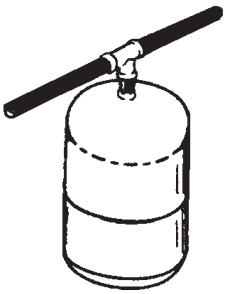




* PIPE RELIEF VALVE TO OPEN DRAIN.

**WHEN USING AN A.O. SMITH T-140, -200, -350 OR -400 STORAGE TANK, USE LOWER 3/4" OPENING FOR TANK TEMPERATURE CONTROL.

IF BUILDING CIRCULATING LOOP IS USED, CONNECT TO AN OPENING NEAR THE BOTTOM OF THE TANK.

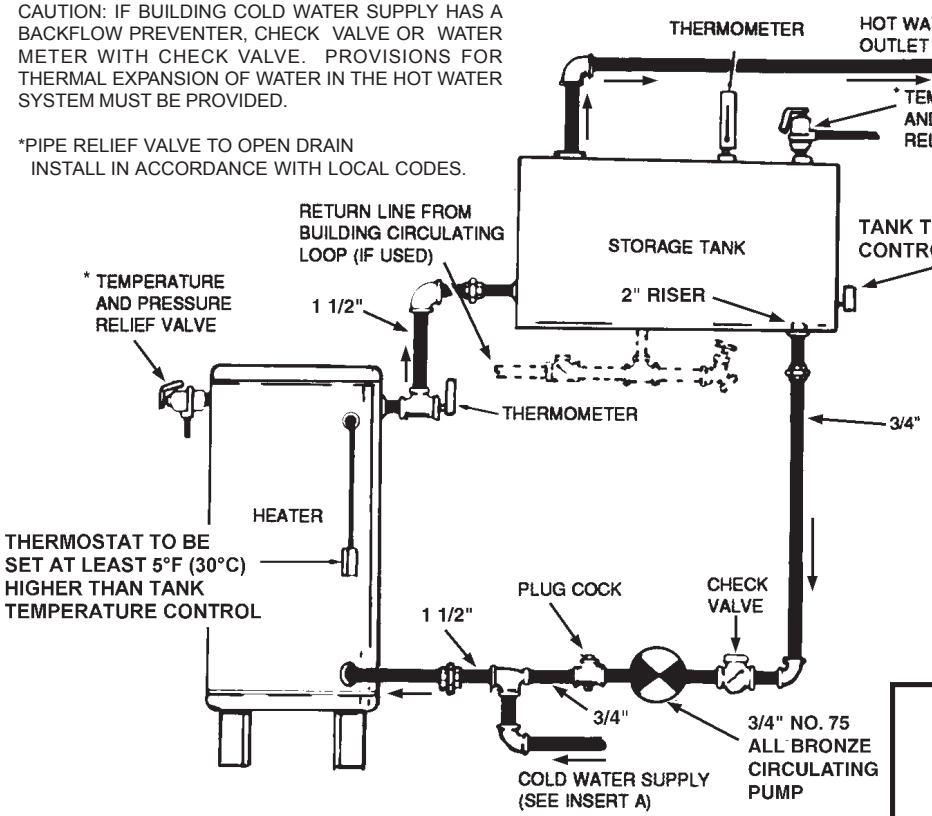


INSTALL THERMAL EXPANSION TANK IF CHECK VALVE OR PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE IS USED IN SUPPLY

HORIZONTAL STORAGE TANK

CAUTION: IF BUILDING COLD WATER SUPPLY HAS A BACKFLOW PREVENTER, CHECK VALVE OR WATER METER WITH CHECK VALVE. PROVISIONS FOR THERMAL EXPANSION OF WATER IN THE HOT WATER SYSTEM MUST BE PROVIDED.

*PIPE RELIEF VALVE TO OPEN DRAIN INSTALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL CODES.



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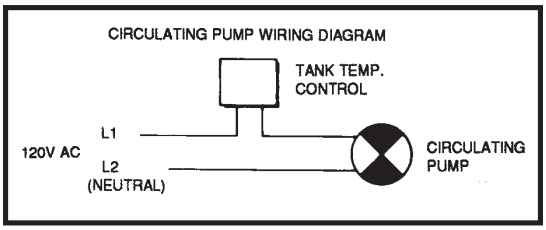

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OPERATION

IMPORTANT

A qualified person must perform the initial firing of the heater. At this time the user should not hesitate to ask the individual any questions which they may have in regard to the operation and maintenance of the unit.

An Operational Checklist is included at the rear of this manual. By using this checklist the user may be able to make minor operational adjustments and avoid unnecessary service calls. However, the user should not attempt repairs which are not listed under the USER column.

GENERAL

NEVER OPERATE THE HEATER WITHOUT FIRST BEING CERTAIN IT IS FILLED WITH WATER AND A TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE IS INSTALLED IN THE RELIEF VALVE OPENING OF THE HEATER.

SHOULD OVERHEATING OCCUR OR THE GAS SUPPLY FAIL TO SHUT OFF, TURN OFF THE MANUAL GAS CONTROL VALVE TO THE APPLIANCE.

⚠ CAUTION

Before proceeding with the operation of the unit make sure the water heater and system are filled with water and all air is expelled.

FILLING

1. Close the heater drain valve by turning handle clockwise.
2. Open a nearby hot water faucet to permit the air in the system to escape.
3. Fully open the cold water inlet pipe valve allowing the heater and piping to be filled.
4. Close the hot water faucet as water starts to flow.
5. The heater is ready to be operated.

⚠ WARNING

THE GAS VALVE MUST HAVE BEEN IN THE OFF POSITION FOR AT LEAST 5 MINUTES. This waiting period is an important safety step. Its purpose is to permit gas that may have accumulated in the combustion chamber to clear. IF YOU DETECT GAS ODOR AT THE END OF THIS PERIOD DO NOT PROCEED WITH LIGHTING. RECOGNIZE THAT GAS EVEN IF IT SEEMS WEAK, MAY INDICATE PRESENCE OF ACCUMULATED GAS SOMEPLACE IN THE AREA WITH RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION. SEE THE FRONT PAGE FOR STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

All gas and water lines leak tested and open.

Read **SEQUENCE OF OPERATION** section of this manual prior to lighting and operating this appliance.

With above conditions satisfied, start the unit in accordance with the instructions on the Operating label attached to the heater. If label instructions are not legible - determine which gas valve the appliance is equipped with and use the applicable **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS** as follows:

Each heater is equipped with an ignition control board. The controller will try three times to light the main burner before going into lockout. After the controller tries three times, it will wait one hour before trying to light the unit again. This cycle will continue until the main burners are ignited or the unit is shut down.

ADJUSTMENTS

ON INITIAL STARTUP SOME ADJUSTMENTS ARE NECESSARY.

1. **CHECK MANIFOLD AND INLET GAS PRESSURES.**

2. **CYCLE CHECK - CHECK AT LEAST ONE BURNER OPERATION - WHEN THERMOSTAT IS SATISFIED, BURNER WILL SHUT OFF AND INDUCER WILL STOP RUNNING. ON CALL FOR HEAT - THE INDUCER WILL COME ON AND CLOSE THE PRESSURE SWITCH AND THE IGNITION SEQUENCE DESCRIBED ABOVE WILL BEGIN, SEE "SEQUENCE OF OPERATION".**

SEQUENCE OF OPERATION

The following information will describe the Sequence of Operation for this appliance.

1. Switch power on to unit.
2. Thermostat calls for heat.
3. Ignition Control Board performs diagnostic check on system components.
4. On completion of diagnostics check, the Ignition Control Board sends signal to Exhaust Inducer.
5. Exhaust Inducer begins drawing air through appliance closing the Prover Switch.
6. On completion of Prover Switch engagement, the Ignition Control Board begins the ignition cycle.
7. The Ignition Control Board provides power to the Silicon Nitride Ignitor.
8. The Silicon Nitride Ignitor heats up for approximately 17 to 20 seconds.
9. At the end of Silicon Nitride Ignitor's warm-up, the Ignition Control Board opens the Gas Valve.
10. From the time the Gas Valve opens, the Ignition Control Board waits 3 seconds and then shuts off power to the Silicon Nitride Ignitor.
11. From the time the Silicon Nitride Ignitor's power is shut off, the Ignition Control Board waits 3 more seconds to monitor the Flame Sensor.
12. If the Flame Sensor does not detect a strong enough flame, the Ignition Control Board shuts off the Gas Valve and allows the Exhaust Inducer to purge the unit for 20 seconds. At that time, the Ignition Control Board restarts with step 7. It will try and ignite the main burners 2 more times. If the unit does not light, the Ignition Control Board will wait one hour and then restart at step 3. This cycle will continue until the unit lights or the power is shutoff to the unit.
13. If the Flame Sensor detects a strong flame, the Ignition Control Board will allow the unit to operate until the thermostat is satisfied.
14. Once the unit is satisfied, the Ignition Control Board will shut off the Gas Valve and the unit will be in standby mode until another call for heat is initiated by the thermostat.

See the flow chart on page 25 for more information.

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FOR YOUR SAFETY READ BEFORE OPERATING

WARNING IF YOU DO NOT FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS EXACTLY A FIRE OR EXPLOSION MAY RESULT CAUSING PROPERTY DAMAGE, PERSONAL INJURY OR LOSS OF LIFE.

FLAMMABLE

A. This appliance does not have a pilot. It is equipped with an ignition device which automatically lights the burner. Do not try to light the burner by hand.

B. BEFORE OPERATING smell all around the appliance area for gas. Be sure to smell next to the floor because some gas is heavier than air and will settle on the floor.

"WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS"

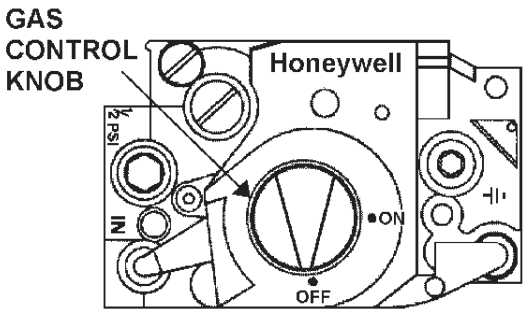
- Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electric switch; do not use any telephone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's telephone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
- If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.

C. Use only your hand to push in or turn the gas control knob. Never use tools. If the knob will not push in or turn by hand, don't try to repair it, call a qualified service technician. Force or attempted repair may result in fire or explosion.

D. Do not use this appliance if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the appliance and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control which has been under water.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. STOP! Read the safety information above on this label.
2. Set thermostat to lowest setting.
3. Turn off all electric power to the appliance.
4. This appliance is equipped with an ignition device which automatically lights the burner. Do not try to light the burner by hand.
5. Push in gas control knob slightly and turn clockwise to "OFF".
6. Wait five (5) minutes to clear out any gas. If you then smell gas, STOP! Follow "B" in the safety information above on this label. If you don't smell gas, go on to the next step.
7. Turn gas control knob counterclockwise to "ON".
8. Turn on all electric power to the appliance.
9. Set thermostat to desired setting.
10. If the appliance will not operate, follow the instructions "To Turn Off Gas To Appliance" and call your service technician or gas supplier.



FOR YOUR SAFETY READ BEFORE OPERATING

1. Set the thermostat to lowest setting.
2. Turn off all electric power to appliance if service is to be performed.
3. Push in gas control knob slightly and turn clockwise to "OFF". Do not force.

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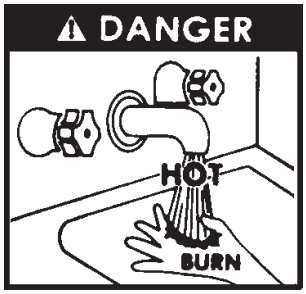
WATER TEMPERATURE CONTROL



⚠ DANGER

THIS WATER HEATER IS EQUIPPED WITH AN ADJUSTABLE THERMOSTAT TO CONTROL WATER TEMPERATURE. HOT WATER TEMPERATURES REQUIRED FOR AUTOMATIC DISHWASHER AND LAUNDRY USE CAN CAUSE SCALD BURNS RESULTING IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY AND/OR DEATH. THE TEMPERATURE AT WHICH INJURY OCCURS VARIES WITH THE PERSON'S AGE AND TIME OF EXPOSURE. THE SLOWER RESPONSE TIME OF CHILDREN, AGED OR DISABLED PERSONS INCREASES THE HAZARDS TO THEM. NEVER ALLOW SMALL CHILDREN TO USE A HOT WATER TAP, OR TO DRAW THEIR OWN BATH WATER. NEVER LEAVE A CHILD OR DISABLED PERSON UNATTENDED IN A BATHTUB OR SHOWER.

THE WATER HEATER SHOULD BE LOCATED IN AN AREA WHERE THE GENERAL PUBLIC DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO SET TEMPERATURES.

SETTING THE WATER HEATER TEMPERATURE AT 120°F (49°C) WILL REDUCE THE RISK OF SCALDS. Some states or provinces require settings at specific lower temperatures.

Below you will find listed the approximate time-to-burn relationship for normal adult skin. Short repeated heating cycles caused by small hot water uses can cause temperatures at the point of use to exceed the thermostat setting by up to 20°F (11°C). If you experience this type of use, you should consider using lower temperature settings to reduce scald hazards.

Temperature Setting	Time to Produce 2nd & 3rd Degree Burns on Adult Skin
185°F	Nearly instantaneous
180°F	Nearly instantaneous
170°F	Nearly instantaneous
160°F	About 1/2 second
150°F	About 1-1/2 seconds
140°F	Less than 5 seconds
130°F	About 30 seconds
120°F	More than 5 minutes

Valves for reducing point-of-use temperature by mixing cold and hot water are available. Also available are inexpensive devices that attach to faucets to limit hot water temperatures. Contact a licensed plumber or the local plumbing authority.

The water temperature is controlled by a thermostat, see Figure 3, which has two sensing elements. One sensor is located near the top of the tank and the other is near the center. The thermostat is set in the lowest position before the heater leaves the factory.

The thermostat temperature dial, see Figure 3, is accessible by removing the control cover. The dial is adjustable and may be set for 120° to 180°F water temperature, but 120°F is the recommended starting point. It is suggested the dial be placed on the lowest setting which produces an acceptable hot water supply. This will always give the most energy efficient operation. The temperature control has a 4°F (2°C) fixed differential.

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

CHECK THE IGNITOR ASSEMBLY

At least once a year, check the ignitor assembly, see Figure 11, and the main burner, see Figure 12, for proper operation. Refer to the following ignitor assembly and main burner sections.

IGNITOR ASSEMBLY

For access to ignitor assembly, unfasten two screws to burner cover and remove. Locate the burner with the ignitor assembly and remove screw holding burner to manifold. Slide burner out to access ignitor assembly.

Servicing of the ignitor assembly includes keeping the ignitor free of lint, scale or any other foreign debris.

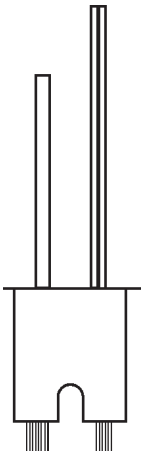


FIGURE 11

MAIN BURNER

The main burner, see Figure 12, should display the following characteristics:

- Cause rapid ignition and carry across entire burner.
- Give reasonably quiet operation during ignition, burning, and extinction.
- Cause no excessive lifting of flame from burner ports.

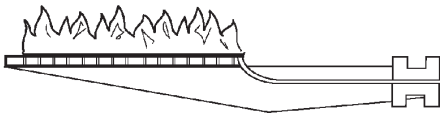


FIGURE 12

If the preceding burner characteristics are not evident, check for accumulation of lint, scale or other foreign debris that restricts or blocks the air openings to the burner or heater.

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NOTE:
1. Remove main burners from unit.
2. Check that burner venturi and ports are free of foreign debris.
3. Clean burners with bristle brush and/or vacuum cleaner - DO NOT distort burner ports or pilot location.
4. Reinstall burners in unit. Make sure front and rear of burners are installed correctly in burner support brackets.

Also check for good flow of combustion and ventilating air to the unit. Maintain a clear area around the heater at all times.

GAS VALVES

Figure 13 shows the type of combination manual gas control valve and regulator used on these heaters.

If the gas valve becomes defective, repairs should not be attempted. A new valve should be installed in place of the defective one.

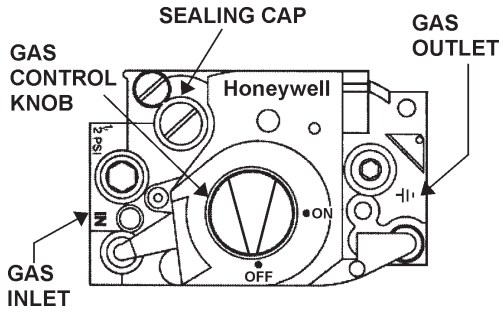

FIGURE 13

CHECKING THE INPUT

For appliance installation locations with elevations above 2000 feet, refer to HIGH ALTITUDE INSTALLATIONS section of this manual for input reduction procedure.

1. Attach a pressure gauge or a manometer to the gauge port and refer to the GAS PRESSURE REGULATOR section for correct manifold pressure.

2. Use this formula to "clock" the meter. Be sure that other gas consuming appliances are not operating during this interval.

   $$\frac{3600 \times H}{T} = \text{Btuh}$$

   T = Time in seconds to burn one cubic foot of gas.

   H = Btu's per cubic foot of gas.

   Btuh = Actual heater input.

   Example:

   T = 15.1 seconds

   H = 1050 Btu

   Btuh = ?

   $19 \times 1050 = 199{,}999$ Btuh

Should it be necessary to adjust the gas pressure to the burners to obtain the full input rate, the steps below should be followed:

3. Remove the regulator adjustment sealing cap, see Figure 13, and adjust the pressure by turning the adjusting screw with a screwdriver.

   Clockwise to increase gas pressure and input rate.

   Counterclockwise to decrease gas pressure and input rate.

4. "Clock" the meter as in step 2 above.

5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 until the specified input rate is achieved.

6. Turn the gas control knob to PILOT. Remove the pressure gauge and replace the sealing cap and the allen wrench set screw in the pressure tap opening.

⚠ WARNING

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD THE GAS INPUT EXCEED THE INPUT SHOWN ON THE HEATER MODEL AND RATING PLATE. OVERFIRING COULD RESULT IN DAMAGE OR SOOTING OF THE HEATER.

When the heater is operating at full capacity, or full gas input, it should consume 1 cu. ft. of gas in time indicated on Table 3.

TABLE 3
APPROXIMATE TIME REQUIRED TO CONSUME 1 CU. FT. OF GAS AT FULL CAPACITY

INPUT RATE (BTUH)	TYPE OF GAS	BTUH PER CU. FT.	TIME REQ'D TO CONSUME 1 CU. FT. OF GAS
154,000	NATURAL	1050	24.5 SEC.
199,000	NATURAL	1050	19.0 SEC.

Figures shown are valid for 0-2000 ft.(0-610m) installations. See "HIGH ALTITUDE INSTALLATIONS" for deration requirements over 2000 ft.(610m).

VENTING SYSTEM

Examine the venting system every six months for obstructions and/or deterioration of the vent piping.

Remove all soot or other obstructions from chimney which will retard free draft.

REMOTE STORAGE TANK TEMPERATURE CONTROL

The water temperature in the storage tank (if used) is controlled by the storage tank temperature control. The sensing element is mounted in the hot water storage tank, see page 17.

A change in water temperature in the storage tank lower than the tank temperature control setting will cause the sensor to activate the circulating pump. The pump then circulates the water through the heater where the thermostat senses the drop in water temperature and activates main burner operation of the appliance. If the storage tank temperature control is out of calibration, replace with new control.

⚠ WARNING

SHOULD OVERHEATING OCCUR OR THE GAS SUPPLY FAIL TO SHUT OFF, TURN OFF THE MANUAL GAS CONTROL VALVE TO THE APPLIANCE.

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RELIEF VALVE

At least once a year, the temperature and pressure relief valve should be checked to ensure that it is in operating condition. Lift the lever at the top of the valve several times until the valve seats properly and operates freely.

If the appliance installation includes other relief valves, such as in “remote” storage tanks etc., check their relief valve operation with the same frequency.

⚠ WARNING

THE WATER PASSING OUT OF THE VALVE DURING THIS CHECKING OPERATION MAY BE EXTREMELY HOT. AVOID CONTACT AND DISCHARGE SAFELY TO PREVENT WATER DAMAGE.

If the temperature and pressure relief valve on the heater discharges periodically or continuously, a problem exists. This may be due to unusually high water temperatures or pressures in the system, or to a faulty relief valve. Contact your dealer or a qualified service technician to find the cause of the problem and to correct it. This may also be due to thermal expansion in a closed water supply system. Contact the water supplier or local plumbing inspector on how to correct this situation. **DO NOT PLUG THE TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE.**

⚠ WARNING

SHOULD OVERHEATING OCCUR OR THE GAS SUPPLY FAIL TO SHUT OFF, TURN OFF THE MANUAL GAS CONTROL VALVE TO THE APPLIANCE.

HOT WATER ODOR

On occasion, hot water may develop a strong odor. If this occurs drain the heater completely, flush thoroughly, and refill. If the problem persists, chlorination of the heater and replacement of the factory installed magnesium anodes with aluminum anodes may correct the condition.

Occasionally water softener companies recommend removal of heater anodes for odor reasons.

⚠ CAUTION

Unauthorized removal of the anode(s) will void the warranty. For further information contact your dealer.

ANODE ROD INSPECTION

The heater tank is equipped with anode rods to provide corrosion control. At least once a year the anode rods should be checked to determine if replacement is necessary. Initially the anode rods are approximately 7/8" in diameter with a 1/8" diameter steel core wire running down the center of the anode material. THE ANODES SHOULD BE REPLACED when the 1/8" diameter core wire is visible as this means that the anode material has been expended in the control of corrosion.

For models with top inlet and outlet, it is recommended that, before removing the inner cover for cleaning, inspection or removal of inner parts, you obtain two new nipple collars, part no. 74060. The nipple collars on the heater will usually be damaged when removed. New pipe collars will insure that the seal is such as to prevent leakage of flue products when properly installed.

NOTE: Anode rod inspection may need to be made more frequently in areas subject to acid rain that obtains their water supply from surface water as the low pH will accelerate anode activity.

CAUTION: Close cold water inlet valve serving heater and open nearby hot water faucet to relieve the pressure in the heater before attempting to remove anode(s) for inspection.

FLUSHING

1. Turn off the heater electrical disconnect switch.
2. Open the drain valve and allow water to flow until it runs clean.
3. Close the drain valve when finished flushing.
4. Turn on the heater electrical disconnect switch.

DRAINING

The heater must be drained if it is to be shut down and exposed to freezing temperatures. Maintenance and service procedures may also require draining the heater.

1. Turn off the heater electrical disconnect switch.
2. Close the cold water inlet valve to heater.
3. Open a nearby hot water faucet to vent the system.
4. Open the heater drain valve.
5. If the heater is being drained for an extended shutdown, it is suggested the drain valve be left open during this period.
   - Follow FILLING instructions when restoring hot water service.

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR PERIODIC REMOVAL OF LIME DEPOSITS FROM TANK TYPE COMMERCIAL WATER HEATERS

The amount of calcium carbonate (lime) released from water is in direct proportion to water temperature and usage, see chart. The higher the water temperature or water usage, the more lime deposits are dropped out of the water. This is the lime scale which forms in pipes, heaters and on cooking utensils.

Lime accumulation not only reduces the life of the equipment but also reduces efficiency of the heater and increases fuel consumption.

The usage of water softening equipment greatly reduces the hardness of the water. However, this equipment does not always remove all of the hardness (lime). For this reason it is recommended that a regular schedule for deliming be maintained.

The time between cleaning will vary from weeks to months depending upon water conditions and usage.

Refer to A. O. Smith booklet, Form No. 4800, entitled “Why? When and How” for detailed description on tank inspection and cleanout. UN•LIME® and the booklet may be obtained through your A. O. Smith dealer or distributor.

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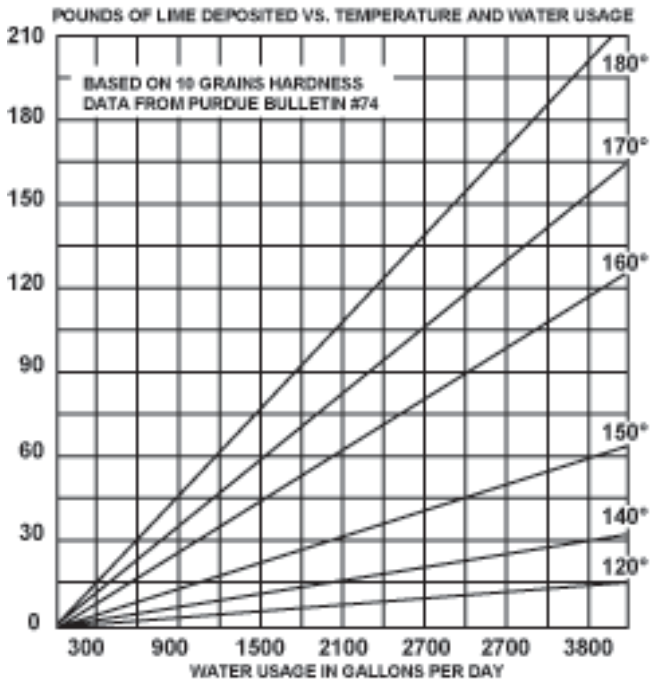

FIGURE 14

DELIMING SOLVENTS

A. O. Smith recommends the use of UN•LIME for deliming. UN•LIME is a patented food grade acid which is safe to handle and does not create the harmful fumes which are associated with other products.

UN•LIME may be obtained from your dealer, distributor or the A. O. Smith Product Service Division. Order Part Number 4763, 1 gallon, packed 4 gallons per case or Part Number 4813, 5 gallon container.

NOTE: Un•Lime is not available for use in Canada

Hydrochloric base acids are not recommended for use on glass lined tanks.

⚠ CAUTION

Observe handling instructions on label of product being used.

TANK CLEANOUT PROCEDURE

The following practices will ensure longer life and enable the unit to operate at its designed efficiency:

1. Once a month the heater should be flushed. Open the drain valve and allow two gallons of water to drain from the heater. Inlet water valve should remain open to maintain pressure in tank.

2. A cleanout opening is provided for periodic cleaning of the tank. Gas must be shut off and heater drained before opening cleanout.

To clean heater through cleanout opening, proceed as follows:

1. Drain heater.

2. Remove outer cover plate from lower side of heater jacket.

3. Remove six (6) hex head screws securing tank cleanout plate and remove plate.

4. Remove lime, scale, or sediment using care not to damage the glass lining.

5. Inspect cleanout plate gasket, if new gasket is required, replace with A. O. Smith part no. 99038.

6. Install cleanout plate. Be sure to draw plate up tight by tightening screws securely.

7. Replace outer jacket cover plate.

In some water areas the sediment might not be removed by this method and may result in the water heater making rumbling or boiling noises. To dissolve and remove these more stubborn mineral deposits, A. O. Smith UN•LIME Professional Delimer should be used.

DELIMING USING FLO-JUG METHOD

UN•LIME in the 5 gallon size is recommended for deliming of the BT-80 100 models. UN•LIME with the necessary hoses and fittings to delime your heater is also available as a kit: Up-N-Down Transfer Kit. Contact your local A.O. Smith dealer, distributor or, A.O. Smith Water Products Company:

Telephone: (800) 433-2545
Fax: (800) 433-2515
Website: www.hotwater.com/parts

Prepare the Water Heater
To delime the water heater using the Flo-Jug method, first prepare the heater for deliming as described in the "Why? When? and How?" booklet, Form No. 4800. Then install the long plastic male adapter fitting into the drain valve opening of the water heater. Use teflon tape and hand tighten only. Do not overtighten.

Prepare the Up-N-Down Transfer Kit
The next step is the preparation on the Up-N-Down Transfer Kit, if you have not already done so:

1. With the 5 gallon Up-N-Down container in the vertical position, unscrew the plastic vent cap in the handle and pierce the plastic membrane over the vent boss under the cap to allow the container to vent.

   Note: If your container does not have the vent cap and vent boss, drill a 3/16" hole in the handle. When you have finished deliming you will be able to plug this drilled vent with the stainless steel screw that is supplied with the kit.

2. Remove the container's cap and cut the plastic membrane located in the 3/4" IPT opening in the cap. Take care to not damage the threads.

3. Find the 3/4" male adapter, apply teflon tape to the threaded end and screw it into the 3/4" IPT opening in the cap.

4. Put cap with male adapter back on the container and slide 3/4" hose over end of male adapter and fasten in place using hose clamp provided.

Delime using Flo-Jug Method

5. Slide the hose clamp over end of hose and slide hose over the male adapter in the water heater drain opening and secure in place using hose clamp.

6. Lift container to the "Pour" Position, see Figure 15, being careful to keep the vent in the handle above the liquid level and pour the UN•LIME into the heater.

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7. Lower container, you may have to place the container on its empty carton to prevent the UN•LIME from flowing back into the container.

8. Let UN•LIME remain in the heater for 5 minutes and then lower the container to the "Drain" Position, see Figure 15.

9. Deliming activity is indicated by foaming on the surface of the UN•LIME. If there is deliming activity, repeat steps 6 thru 8.

Normally, lime removal will be completed within one hour. Severe build-up of lime may take longer than an hour to complete descaling.

Note: To check UN•LIME for continued use, place some scale or white chalk in a glass with a small amount of UN•LIME. If the material is vigorously dissolved by the UN•LIME, it can be reused; if not, the UN•LIME should be replaced.

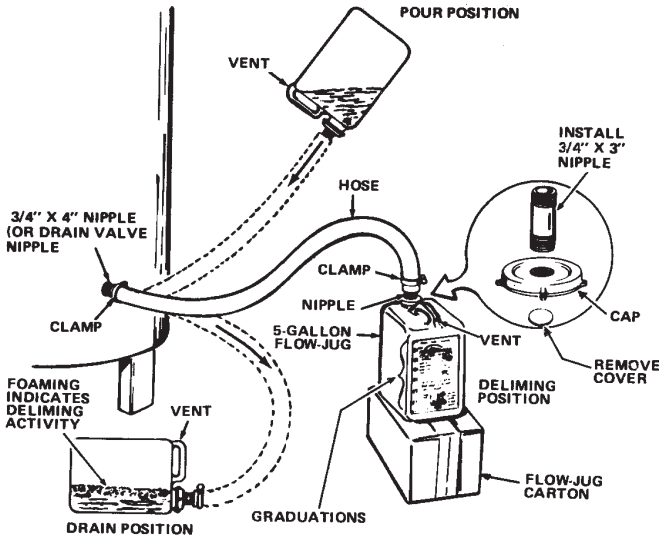

FIGURE 15

IGNITION MODULE SYSTEM

Before calling your service agent, the following checklist should be examined to eliminate obvious problems from those requiring replacement or servicing.

— Check that "main manual gas shutoff valve" is fully open and that gas service has not been interrupted.

— Check that after following the appliance OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS, the "Top Knob" of the appliance gas valve is in "ON" position.

— Check electrical supply to the appliance for possible blown (or tripped) fusing or power interruption.

— Is the water temperature in tank below the thermostat dial setting on the appliance thermostat (calling for heat)?

— It is possible that the high limit (E.C.O.) has functioned to shut off the appliance. See FEATURES — Water Temperature Control for reset procedure. Contact your serviceman if limit continues to function to shut off appliance.

SYSTEM DIAGNOSTICS

Your water heater is equipped with an ignition module that incorporates a diagnostic system to assist in troubleshooting the appliance. The indicator codes on the ignition module are as follows:

1 flash	System lockout (retries or cycles exceeded)
2 flashes	Pressure switch stuck close
3 flashes	Pressure switch stuck open
4 flashes	Open on high temperature limit switch (eco)
6 flashes	115 volt AC power reversed (check polarity)
7 flashes	Low flame sense signal (make sure flame sensor is in burner flame)
8 flashes	Check ignitor

continuous flash -> continuous flame sensed > 5 seconds without gas valve

continuous on -> internal control failure - replace ignition control module.

Use this diagnostic system in conjunction with the "OPERATIONAL CHECKLIST" and the "SEQUENCE OF OPERATION" to troubleshoot the appliance.

SERVICE

The installer may be able to observe and correct certain problems which may arise when the unit is put into operation. HOWEVER, it is recommended that only qualified servicemen, using appropriate test equipment, be allowed to service the heater.

As preliminary step, check wiring against diagram, check for grounded, broken or loose wires. Check all wire ends to be sure that they are making good contact.

ELECTRICAL SERVICING

⚠ CAUTION

LABEL ALL WIRES PRIOR TO DISCONNECTION WHEN SERVICING CONTROLS. WIRING ERRORS CAN CAUSE IMPROPER AND DANGEROUS OPERATION.

VERIFY PROPER OPERATION AFTER SERVICING.

REPLACEMENT PARTS

Replacement parts may be ordered through A.O. Smith dealers, authorized servicers or distributors. Refer to the Yellow Pages for where to call or contact the A.O. Smith Water Products Company, Product Service Division, 5621 West 115th Street, Alsip, IL 60803, 1-800-433-2545. When ordering parts be sure to state the quantity, part number and description of the item(s) including the complete model and serial number as it appears on the product. Refer to the parts list for more information.

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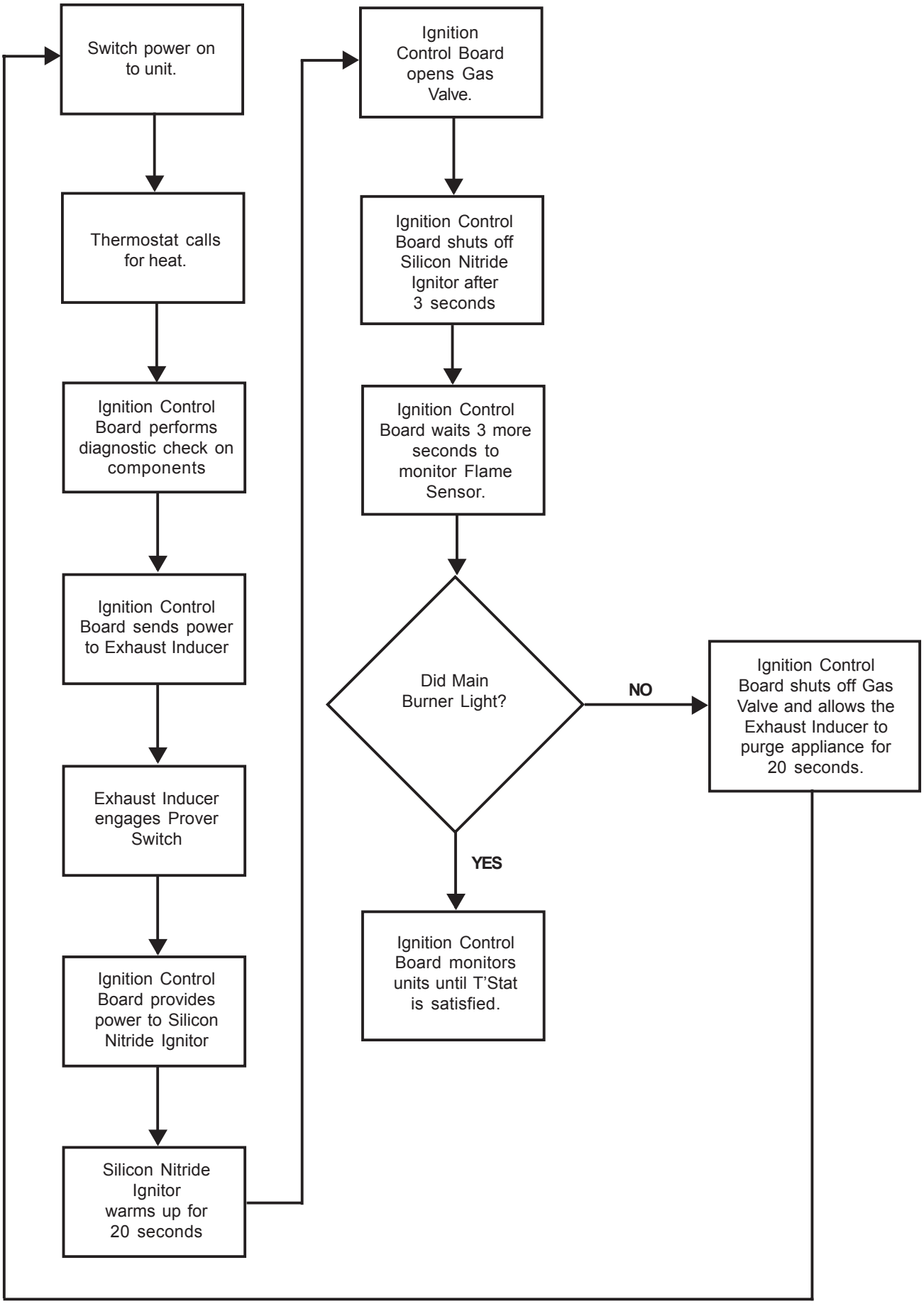
SEQUENCE OF OPERATION FLOW CHART

Description of this flow chart can be found in the “SEQUENCE OF OPERATION” section found on page 18.


Switch power on to unit.
Thermostat calls for heat.
Ignition Control Board performs diagnostic check on components
Ignition Control Board sends power to Exhaust Inducer
Exhaust Inducer engages Prover Switch
Ignition Control Board provides power to Silicon Nitride Ignitor
Silicon Nitride Ignitor warms up for 20 seconds
Ignition Control Board opens Gas Valve.
Ignition Control Board shuts off Silicon Nitride Ignitor after 3 seconds
Ignition Control Board waits 3 more seconds to monitor Flame Sensor.
Did Main Burner Light?
NO
YES
Ignition Control Board shuts off Gas Valve and allows the Exhaust Inducer to purge appliance for 20 seconds.
Ignition Control Board monitors units until T’Stat is satisfied.

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OPERATIONAL CHECKLIST

This checklist in conjunction with “TROUBLESHOOTING” and the “SEQUENCE OF OPERATION” should be used as an on-the-job troubleshooting guide to identify the cause of incorrect system operation and suggest a remedy for its correction. Because improper piping and wiring can result in unsatisfactory system performance, it is suggested that the installation be examined before using the checklist. Be sure to refer to the correct piping and wiring diagram for the type of system that is installed.

The system should be filled with water, purged of air, valves properly set and utilities connected and ready to operate.

COMPLAINT	CAUSE	REMEDY	
		USER	SERVICEMAN
*Water not hot enough.	Thermostat set too low.	Set thermostat dial to a higher temperature.	
	Thermostat out of calibration.	Call serviceman	Recalibrate thermostat. If thermostat cannot be recalibrated, replace.
*Insufficient hot water *See WATER TEMPERATURE CONTROL WARNING (on Page 20).	Thermostat set too low.	Set thermostat dial to a higher temperature.	
	Thermostat out of calibration.	Call serviceman.	Recalibrate thermostat. If thermostat cannot be recalibrated, replace.
	Main manual gas shutoff valve partially closed.	Open main manual gas shutoff valve to fullest extent.	
	Heater too small for demand.	Space usage to give heater time to restore water temperature.	
	Thermostat differential is too wide.	Call serviceman.	Replace dual bulb controller if differential is greater than 4°F.
	Heater recovery is slower.	Call serviceman.	Check gas input. If incorrect, adjust gas pressure or replace main burner orifice.
	Drafthood not installed or one or more flue baffles.	Call serviceman.	Install drafthood or baffles as furnished with unit.
Water temperature too hot.	Thermostat set too high.	Set thermostat to a lower setting.	
Heater makes sounds: sizzling.	Condensation on outside of tank, normal.		
Rumbling.	Sediment accumulation on bottom of tank.	Drain a quantity of water through drain valve. If rumbling persists, call a serviceman.	Delime heater.
Ticking or metallic sounds.	Expansion and contraction-normal.		
Pounding.	Air chambers in piping have become waterlogged.	Drain piping system and refill. Heater must be off while this is being done.	
Combustion noises.	Too much primary air.	Adjust shutters.	
	Overfired heater; Incorrect burners or orifice for type of gas used.	Call serviceman.	Check and correct as necessary.
Water leaks.	Drain valve not closed tightly.	If drain valve cannot be closed tightly, replace.	
	If leakage source cannot be corrected or identified, call serviceman.	Shut off gas supply to heater and close cold water inlet valve to heater.	Repair or in case of suspected tank leakage, be certain to confirm before replacing heater.
Gas odors.	Heater is overfired.	Shut off gas supply to heater and call a serviceman.	Check for sooted flue passage.
			Check for obstructed vent line.
			Check backdraft or lack of draft.
	Possible gas leaks.	Shut off gas supply to heater and call gas company at once.	

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Model BTR Limited Warranty

A. O. Smith Corporation, the warrantor, extends the following LIMITED WARRANTY to the owner of this water heater.

1. **THE TANK**
   If the glass-lined tank in this water heater shall prove upon examination by the warrantor to have leaked due to natural corrosion from potable water therein, during the first THREE years after initial installation, the warrantor will supply a complete new A. O. Smith water heater of equivalent size and current model. Some government agencies are requiring energy efficient standards for water heaters. In the event regulations prohibit sale of a model of equivalent size and construction, A. O. Smith will provide a model which complies with the regulations of your area, in which case the consumer will be charged the difference in price between the like replacement and the energy efficient model required. The warranty on the replacement water heater will be limited to the unexpired term of the original warranty.

2. **ALL OTHER PARTS**
   If within ONE year after initial installation of this water heater, any part or portion shall prove upon examination by the warrantor to be defective in material or workmanship, the warrantor will repair or replace such part or portion at its option.

3. **CONDITIONS AND EXCEPTIONS**
   This warranty shall apply only when the water heater is installed in accordance with local plumbing and building codes, ordinances and regulations, the printed instructions provided with it and good industry practices. In addition, a temperature and pressure relief valve, certified by A.G.A./CGA and approved by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, must have been installed.
   a. This warranty shall apply only when the heater is used:
      (1) used at temperatures not exceeding the maximum calibrated setting of its thermostat;
      (2) used at water pressure not exceeding the working pressure shown on the heater;
      (3) filled with potable water, free to circulate at all times and with the tank free of damaging water sediment or scale deposits;
      (4) used in a non-corrosive and non-contaminated atmosphere;
      (5) used with factory approved anode(s) installed;
      (6) in its original installation location;
      (7) in the United States, its territories or possessions, and Canada;
      (8) sized in accordance with proper sizing techniques for commercial and/or residential water heaters;
      (9) bearing a rating plate which has not been altered, defaced or removed, except as required by the warrantor;
      (10) used in an open system or in a closed system with properly sized and installed thermal expansion tank;
      (11) operated with properly installed dirt leg;
      (12) fired with the fuel for which it was factory built;
      (13) fired at the factory rated input;
      (14) operated with the inner and outer combustion chamber doors in place.
   b. Any accident to the water heater, any misuse, abuse (including freezing) or alteration of it, any operation of it in a modified form, any use of insulation blankets, or any attempt to repair tank leaks will void this warranty.
   c. This warranty is void if a device acting as a backflow prevention device (check valves etc.) is installed in the cold water supply the heater is connected to, unless an effective method of controlling thermal expansion is also installed at the heater(s) and operational at all times. The relief valve installed on the heater is not an acceptable method.

4. **SERVICE AND REPAIR EXPENSES**
   Under the limited warranty the warrantor will provide only a replacement water heater or part thereof. The owner is responsible for all other costs. Such costs may include but are not limited to:
   a. Labor charges for service removal, repair or reinstallation of the water heater or any component part;
   b. Shipping, delivery, handling, and administrative charges for forwarding the new heater or replacement part from the nearest distributor and returning the claimed defective heater or part to such distributor.
   c. All cost necessary or incidental for any material and/or permits required for installation of the replacement heater or part.

5. **LIMITATIONS ON IMPLIED WARRANTIES**
   Implied warranties, including the warranty of merchantability imposed on the sale of this heater under state law are limited to one (1) year duration for the heater or any of its parts. Some states do not allow limitation on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

6. **CLAIM PROCEDURE**
   Any claim under the warranty should be initiated with the dealer who sold the heater, or with any other dealer handling the warrantor's products. If this is not practicable, the owner should contact:

   A. O. Smith Water Products Company
   5621 West 115th Street
   Alsip, IL 60803
   Telephone: 1-800-323-2636

   a. The warrantor will only honor replacement with identical or similar water heater or parts thereof which are manufactured or distributed by the warrantor.
   b. Dealer replacements are made subject to in-warranty validation by warrantor.

7. **DISCLAIMERS**
   NO OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTY HAS BEEN OR WILL BE MADE IN BEHALF OF THE WARRANTOR WITH RESPECT TO THE HEATER OR THE INSTALLATION, OPERATION, REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF THE HEATER. THE WARRANTOR SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR WATER DAMAGE, LOSS OF USE OF THE UNIT, INCONVENIENCE, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY OR OTHER CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGE. THE WARRANTOR SHALL NOT BE LIABLE BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANTY OR OTHERWISE FOR DAMAGE TO ANY PERSONS OR PROPERTY, WHETHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT, AND WHETHER ARISING IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT.
   a. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of the incidental or consequential damage, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.
   b. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Fill in the following for your own reference. Keep it. Registration is not a condition of warranty. The model and serial number are found on the heater's rating plate.

Model No. Serial No. _____ Date Installed_____

Dealer's Name_____

Dealer's Address _____ Phone No._____

City and State_____Zip Code_____

KEEP THIS WARRANTY POSTED ADJACENT TO THE HEATER FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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